

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING AND REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN
OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Town of Parker and to the general public that the Parker Common Council will hold a special meeting with a public hearing at at Parker Town Hall at 1314 11th Street on August 2, 2022 at 5:45 p.m. followed by its regular meeting open to the public, upon adjournment of the special meeting. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

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**TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING/REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, August 2, 2022 5:45 P.M.**

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member Shontz, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas

Other Staff Present: Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Community Development Director Nora Yackely, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Finance Manager Megan Poe, Library Manager Tracy McConnell, Senior Center/TOP CHOP Director Lee Ann Anderson, Lieutenant Johnny Ferris, Fenix Markel, Joanna Short

Others Present: Melissa Newton, John Gutekunst, Delores Ferris, Kassie Vengas, Buni Hooper, Roberta Hoffman, Vivian Hartless, Janian Castro Gonzalez, Courtney Cassanova, Iliana Greenwalt, Josh Greenwalt, Cameron Armenta, Luna Henshaw, Handi Shaw,, Tammy Thorn, Adam Sevada, Daniel Beavers

PURPOSE:

1. Discussion

a. Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget

Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk Amy Putnam provides an overview of the requested changes from the last budget worksession.

b. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments

CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member Shontz, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas

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REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Resolution 14-2022 Adopting the Town of Parker Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Amy Putnam, Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 14-2022 Adopting the Town of Parker Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023
BY: Vice Mayor Hooper
SECOND: Council Member Hartless
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING: Mayor Bonds Adjourned the special meeting at 5:53 PM

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member Shontz, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas

Other Staff Present: Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Community Development Director Nora Yackely, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Finance Manager Megan Poe, Library Manager Tracy McConnell, Senior Center/TOP CHOP Director Lee Ann Anderson, Lieutenant Johnny Ferris, Fenix Markel, Joanna Short

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INVOCATION: John Gutekunst

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

PRESENTATION: Badge Pinning Presentation, Michael Bailey, Chief of Police
Mayor Bonds opened the floor to Chief of Police Micheal Bailey. Chief Bailey presented a badge to promote Officer Venegas to Sergeant Venegas. He then gave a small speech on Sgt Venegass' work history and his dedication. Concluded with a picture.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

If you wish to address the Council during this meeting, please read and fill in the information on the "Call to the Public" form and hand it to the Town Clerk. Please limit your comments to a maximum of **3-minutes**.

Buni Hooper presents a plaque to the Town Council for their contribution to the Learn to Swim Program

Luna Henshaw introduces herself and why she is there to speak. She speaks on her own transition and how she wished she had the acceptance these kids can/should have. Children are allowed to feel comfortable to be who they are.

Fenix Markel starts off by saying she is here to represent herself as a mother and not the library. She states that she is a mother who is raising her child to love and accept everyone regardless of how they look or what they are a part of such as the LGBTQ+ community. She says the Drag Queen Hour was to allow kids to speak and be who/how they wish to be.

Courtney Cassanova introduces herself as a founder and president of the Gay Shared Alliance at PHS. She says that this event is to tell children and people that they are welcomed in this community and by not having this event is telling these exact people that they are not accepted or welcomed. She states that if something is against your religion or beliefs don't indulge in it. She finishes by saying to not control how people live with your religion/beliefs.

Daniel Beaver starts off by mentioning his family has been involved for the last 20 years in the community and big supporters of the library. He asks for the council to take into consideration his opinion and cancel the library event. He states that children should not be influenced by anything other than what they are there for. He does say we live in a country where people can do as they please but because he believes a certain way doesn't mean he can oppress that on anyone as the same goes for everyone else. He would hate it if his kids couldn't attend certain functions.

Hendi Cobb states they are speaking as a queer youth in this community. They say that some parents believe that their kids will be confused by such an event. Even though these same kids watch their mothers and sisters wear dresses and wear makeup. If it's not the clothing and makeup, it is the person wearing it. They explained their own personal confusion growing up and state that if they were given the chance to express and be their true selves that their lives would have been better. They do bring up that this event wouldn't change a child than what they already exist as. They finish up by saying it is the parents choice to not let their children attend but that it is not their choice to decide a child with accepting parents/guardians to not be allowed to attend.

Joana Short starts off by saying that she is here to represent herself as a citizen and a mother in Parker not the library. She says that there will be more kids with more stories, some the same, some different but stating that it matters. It is not a bad thing and the library is not trying to force anything onto anyone but that it is an event and if you want to come and check it out and be respectful please do. The library is a place where you can be accepted , that it is a public sector and it needs to be treated as one. She gives a few statistics on the suicide rated of teens/kids apart of the LGBTQ+ community and reasons as to why it is so high. She finished her speech by stating that the story time stories are to show kids that no matter their sexual orientation or how they look that they are worthy of love.

Macie Johnson starts by saying that she is a proud member of the LGBTQ+ community and a citizen of Parker. She tells her story on how growing up in a strict one sided view of the world and that if she would've had these kinds of experiences sooner that she would have accepted herself a while ago. She finished by saying thank you to the library.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Council, and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Approve the following:

No items submitted for approval

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Parker and Parker Unified School District for Fiscal Year 22-23 School Resource Officer

Michael Bailey, Chief of Police

Chief of Police Michael Bailey is seeking approval from the Town Council to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Parker Unified School District for the school resource officer. The Parker Police Department provides an officer as a school resource officer to the Parker Unified School district. This officer is responsible for various aspects of school safety and education. This is an annual IGA between the town of Parker and the Parker Unified School district. The Parker Unified School District agrees to pay half the salary, including ere's, overtime, and school related training for one officer. The town receives quarterly payments from the school district.

MOTION: Move to approve Intergovernmental Agreement between the
Town of Parker and Parker Unified School District for Fiscal
Year 22-23 School Resource Officer
BY: Council Member Shontz
SECOND: Council Member Hartless
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

2. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny FY 22-23 Paving and Preservation Projects by Sunland Asphalt through 1GPA Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
Steve Ziegler, Public Works Director

Public Works director Steve Ziegler is requesting authorization to hire Sunland Asphalt to perform various paving and pavement preservations for a total of \$603,984.41. Steve reviews the street segments that will have a polymer modified master seal asphalt coating applied to preserve the asphalt and give it longer life. The work is scheduled for September 26th through the 29th. Steve notes that other streets will have a liquid road preservation applied which will lock in the chip seal that was performed earlier in the year and provide a longer lasting preservation. He notes that the work is scheduled for the same time frame listed above. Steve advises the council that Parker Boulevard will have large cracks milled then filled with asphalt and then a microseal placed over the top of the street. This work is scheduled for September 6th through the 13th. Central Avenue will be removed and replaced with new asphalt. A concrete turn apron will be installed where Industrial Lane intersects with Central Avenue. Sunland Asphalt provided a proposal using their one GPA contract number 17 - 16p-05. This proposal includes project notification to all the affected residents, traffic control, barricades and restriping. the funds to pay for the streets Capital project was included in the fy223 capital budget where we budgeted \$726,047

MOTION: Move to approve FY 22-23 Paving and Preservation Projects by
Sunland Asphalt through 1GPA Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
BY: Vice Mayor Hooper
SECOND: Council Member DeLeon
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

3. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Town Hall and Council Chambers Roof Replacement Change Orders with Priority Roofing
Steve Zielger, Public Works Director

Steve Zielger, Public Works Director respectfully requests approval to pay priority Roofing \$3,700 and \$3,450 for additional labor and material cost associated with roof replacement. On June 27th priorityRoofing began demolition of the old roof. They discovered that half of the roof had particle board that was used as an underlayment on top of the metal roof; see the attached pictures. This is not a standard material used for underlayment so priority Roofing was instructed to remove all of it and install quarter inch plywood. Public Works purchased the materials And Priority Roofing installed it for \$3,700. During the demolition it was also discovered that there was a 3X3 drip edge that was only installed on half of the building and the other half had 7x3 drip trays. In order to make them uniform priority, Roofing was instructed to install the 7x3 drip edge on the entire middle section of the roof; the additional material cost for the larger drip tray was \$3,450. The funding for this project will come from the approved FY 21-22 capital budget where 57,800.00 was budgeted for the roof repairs.

MOTION: Move to approve Town Hall and Council Chambers Roof

**Replacement Change
Orders with Priority Roofing
Council Member DeLeon
Council Member Hartless
With all others in favor, the motion passed;**

**BY:
SECOND:
VOTE:**

4. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Schwarze A4 Storm Street Sweeper Purchase
Steve Zielger, Public Works Director

Steve Zielger, Public Works Director respectfully requests approval to authorize staff to purchase a Schwarz A4 storm street sweeper from Balar equipment using their Sourcewell Cooperative purchasing contract for \$199,645.76. In March of this year Public Works sold the 2001 Elgin street sweeper. In our research to find a street sweeper that met our needs we determined we wanted one that does not require a CDL license to operate. This will allow us to train the street team and other staff members that don't have a CDL on the use of the sweeper which makes us more efficient. We also looked at a vacuum system versus a regenerative air system to collect the dirt and debris instead of a mechanical one. Each type of sweeper has its pros and cons. The regenerative type is more cost-effective to operate. It also requires less maintenance and has a wider cleaning area and leaves less debris behind. The funds for the purchase of the street sweeper are coming from the approved fy 22-23 streets Capital project budget where 350,000 was budgeted for this purchase.

**MOTION: Move to approve Schwarze A4 Storm Street Sweeper Purchase
BY: Council Member Shontz
SECOND: Vice Mayor Hooper
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;**

5. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Agreement Between Town of Parker and La Paz Regional Hospital for Use of the Parker Community/Senior Center for Emergency Services

Amy Putnam, Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk

Amy Putnam, Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk Request approval of the agreement between the town of Parker and La Paz Regional hospital for the use of the Parker community/senior Center for emergency services. The La Paz Regional Hospital has used the center in the past for emergency services for the hospital's nutrition services. We wish to continue this relationship for the good of our community and the residents that are served by our local hospital. The agreement outlines each entity's responsibilities and gives a clear path to this continued relationship.

**MOTION: Move to approve Agreement Between Town of Parker and La Paz Regional Hospital for Use of the Parker Community/Senior Center for Emergency Services
BY: Vice Mayor Hooper
SECOND: Council Member Hartless
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;**

6. Discussion and Action to Accept Frank Savino's Resignation from Town Council

Amy Putnam, Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk

Amy Putnam, Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk notes that she received a letter of resignation from Council Member Savino. Brief discussion follows.

MOTION: Move to approve Accept Frank Savino's Resignation from Town Council
BY: Council Member Hartless
SECOND: Vice Mayor Hooper
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- *Chamber of Commerce-CM Savino + Manager Wedemeyer*
- * Tourism-CM Hartless * Joint Venture-VM Hooper + CM Savino* PAACE-CM Lucas*
- *Tribal Committee -Mayor Bonds + CM Savino *
- *Parks & Recreation- CM Lucas + VM Hooper* Senior Center-CM De Leon+ CM Savino *
- *Streets & Traffic -VM Hooper + CM Savino*
- *Library Board-CM Shontz* La Paz County Fair Board-Mayor Bonds*
- * WACOG-CM De Leon + CM Savino*
- *WAEDD- CM Hartless*
- *Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, Directors Report*

Melissa Newton provides a brief overview of chamber activities. No other reports are given at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday	August 3, 2022	River Sports RV and Marine Ribbon Cutting	4:00 PM @ 401 Riverside Drive
Monday	August 8, 2022	Library Advisory Board	5:00 PM
Tuesday	August 9, 2022	Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting	4:00 PM
Tuesday	August 16, 2022	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00 PM

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURN: Mayor Bonds adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM

Some members of the council or the town attorney may attend the meeting either in person or by telephone conference call. Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation by contacting, the town clerk, (928) 669-9265, at least (72) hours before the scheduled meeting. Facilities are handicapped accessible
 The council may vote to recess into an executive session which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice regarding any of the agenda items, pursuant to a.r.s. §38-431.03(a)(3).

Approve

Randy Hartless

Randy Hartless, Mayor