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community council

Meeting of the Board of Directors  
August 28, 2019  
Open Session at 6:30 p.m.  
Anthem Civic Building  
3701 W. Anthem Way  
Community Room

## MEETING MINUTES

### **Members Present:**

Terry Mullarkey, President  
Bob McKenzie, Vice  
President  
Darrin Francom, Secretary  
Carolynn Hiron, Treasurer  
Roger Willis, Director  
Dino Cotton, Director

### **Members Absent:**

### **Others Present:**

Neal Shearer, Community Executive Officer  
Kristi Northcutt, Communications & Public Affairs Director  
Michele DeMichele, Special Events & ACB Operations Director  
Dave Fermoile, Community Center Director  
Brian Duncan, Parks & Facilities Director  
Mark Sahl, Legal Counsel  
Jonathan Ebertshauser, Legal Counsel  
Kim Bodary, Recording Secretary

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Mullarkey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and recognized those in attendance.

### **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

President Mullarkey established a quorum with six Board members present.

### **ADOPT AGENDA**

**Vice President McKenzie made a motion to adopt the agenda. Director Willis seconded. Voting took place; the motion passed unanimously.**

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

**Vice President McKenzie made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2019 Special Work Session and the July 24, 2019 Open Session. Secretary Hiron seconded. Voting took place; the motion passed unanimously.**

### **PRESENTATIONS**

SSG Waters, recruiter from The U.S. Army Career Center in Anthem and First Lieutenant Jackson, staff Executive Officer for the Phoenix North Recruiting Company, presented a plaque to the ACC to recognize our partnership with them in honoring future soldiers, our collaboration on events at the Anthem Veterans Memorial (specifically paver installations), and other joint events/activities.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Mr. Shearer summarized a few items on the staff report that were included in the Board packet and posted online.

President Mullarkey stated that the ACC would start recruiting for the vacant Chief Financial Officer (CFO) position in September.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Ron Jerich, resident, expressed concerns regarding graffiti and open/unsightly trash enclosures. President Mullarkey thanked Mr. Jerich for his comments and stated that staff would follow up on any relevant issues.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Authorize CEO to Sign a Letter of Understanding with the 1991 Phoenix Trust Regarding Trust Owned Land East of I-17 between Daisy Mountain Drive and Anthem Way**

Mr. Shearer stated that we have considered the Board's feedback and public comments from the June open session and have updated the Letter of Understanding (LOU), accordingly.

Mr. Shearer stated that the changes speak to the Trust's commitment to consider continued public input, the Trust's commitment to involve EPCOR on the design of the proposed roadway adjacent to EPCOR's Water Campus, and the Trust's obligation to fund the provision of water and sewer services and other utilities to their property. Mr. Shearer further stated that these changes are acceptable to the Trust.

Mr. Jerich, resident, inquired if other access points were considered to the Trust property and stated his concern with commercial development on the Trust Property that may compete with existing businesses. President Mullarkey stated that the egress and ingress points would depend on the County's traffic study and their recommendations.

**Vice President McKenzie made a motion to authorize the CEO to sign the Letter of Understanding (LOU) with the 1991 Phoenix Trust (Trust), regarding 52 acres of undeveloped land on the east side of I-17, between Daisy Mountain Drive and Anthem Way. Director Willis seconded. Voting took place; the motion passed unanimously.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Discuss and Consider Authorizing Funding for a Proposed Crosswalk and Related Safety Improvements on Meridian Drive to Support Pedestrian Access to the New Dog Park**

Mr. Shearer provided background information and stated the facts as presented in the Board packet and posted online.

Mr. Shearer stated that ACC staff, BrightView, and MCDOT will meet on site regarding impacts to the median landscaping, as MCDOT has line-of-sight standards for pedestrian crossings and intersections. Mr. Shearer further stated that he would like the Board's approval on the crosswalk to be conditional on the ACC's agreement with the County on the landscape modification plan.

Mr. Jerich, resident, inquired where the extra \$30,000 would come from to fund the crosswalk, and President Mullarkey stated that the money would come from the Enhancement Fund or the dog park project contingency fund, depending on the remaining balance. President Mullarkey further stated that the County has already done a study and design work, at no cost to the ACC, and that safety is the primary concern for Anthem's residents, not cost.

**After adding a stipulation that this project be delayed until a final landscape modification plan is approved by the ACC/CEO and MCDOT, Vice President McKenzie made a motion to authorize the Board to approve the proposed crosswalk and related safety improvements on Meridian Drive to support pedestrian access to the new Anthem Dog Park, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, utilizing either the Enhancement Fund or project contingency funds, at staff's discretion. Director Willis seconded. Voting took place; the motion passed unanimously.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Bodary  
On Behalf of the Anthem Community Council Board of Directors