

**SCOTTSDALE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025**



**CITY HALL KIVA
3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lisa Borowsky called to order a Regular Meeting of the Scottsdale City Council at 5:03 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 in the City Hall Kiva Forum.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Borowsky asked City Clerk Ben Lane to conduct the roll call.

Present: Mayor Lisa Borowsky; Vice Mayor Jan Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Barry Graham, Adam Kwasman, Kathy Littlefield, Maryann McAllen, and Solange Whitehead

Also Present: Interim City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney Sherry Scott, City Treasurer Sonia Andrews, Acting City Auditor Lai Cluff, and City Clerk Ben Lane

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Borowsky.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Littlefield requested a moment of silent reflection.

MAYOR'S REPORT

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Borowsky expressed condolences for the victims of the accident that occurred at the Scottsdale Airport on February 10, 2025.

Mayor Borowsky congratulated Councilwoman Dubauskas' on her first meeting as Vice Mayor and thanked Councilman Graham for his previous service as Vice Mayor.

Mayor Borowsky noted that Councilman Kwasman's appointment to the Budget Review Board, Bob Lettieri, was unable to serve and congratulated Jim Ransco, who will serve as his replacement.

NOTE: MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK STUDY SESSIONS ARE PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES. THESE MINUTES ARE INTENDED TO BE AN ACCURATE REFLECTION OF ACTION TAKEN AND DIRECTION GIVEN BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND ARE NOT VERBATIM TRANSCRIPTS. DIGITAL RECORDINGS AND CLOSED CAPTION TRANSCRIPTS OF SCOTTSDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AND ARE ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Mayor Borowsky announced that Scottsdale was named the number one city in the country to raise a family as reported by the Phoenix Business Journal.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Johnson, Scottsdale resident, discussed concerns regarding the repeal of the Sustainability Plan.

Jennifer Heitmeyer, Scottsdale resident, discussed concerns regarding the repeal of the Sustainability Plan.

MINUTES

Request: Approve the following Council meeting minutes from December 2024 and January 2025:

- a. **Special Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2024**
- b. **Regular Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2024**
- c. **Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2025**

MOTION AND VOTE - MINUTES

Vice Mayor Dubauskas made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2024; Regular Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2024; and the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2025. Councilwoman McAllen seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.

ADDED ITEM

*****A1. Added Item**

Item No. 18 was added to the agenda on February 6, 2025, and requires a separate vote to remain on the agenda.

Request: Vote to accept the agenda as presented or continue the added items to a future Council meeting (February 18, 2025 or March 4, 2025).

MOTION AND VOTE – ADDED ITEM

Mayor Borowsky made a motion to accept agenda as presented. Councilwoman Whitehead seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Kodo Sushi Sake Liquor License (94-LL-2024)

Request: Consider forwarding a recommendation of approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for a Series 12 (restaurant) State liquor license for an existing location with a new owner.

Location: 15040 N. Northsight Boulevard, Suite 104

Staff Contact(s): Tim Curtis, Current Planning Director, 480-312-4210,
tcurtis@scottsdaleaz.gov

2. Walgreens #02599 Liquor License (95-LL-2024)

Request: Consider forwarding a recommendation of approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for a location transfer of a Series 9 (liquor store) State liquor license for an existing location with a new owner.

Location: 7337 N. Via Paseo Del Sur

Staff Contact(s): Tim Curtis, Current Planning Director, 480-312-4210,
tcurtis@scottsdaleaz.gov

3. Udon Thai Restaurant Liquor License (96-LL-2024)

Request: Consider forwarding a recommendation of approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for a Series 12 (restaurant) State liquor license for an existing location with a new owner.

Location: 1495 N. Hayden Road, Suite D7

Staff Contact(s): Tim Curtis, Current Planning Director, 480-312-4210,
tcurtis@scottsdaleaz.gov

4. Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well 161 Equipping Project Construction Bid

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13328** to authorize:

1. Construction Bid Award No. IFB-082024-196 with Filanc, in an amount not to exceed \$10,221,007, for construction of the city's Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well 161 equipping project to be funded by the Deep Well Recharge/Recovery capital project (WF08).
2. The City Manager and the City Treasurer, or designees, to execute any other documents and take such other actions as necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Location: 8081 E. Princess Drive

Staff Contact(s): Dan Worth, Public Works Director, 480-312-5555,
daworth@scottsdaleaz.gov

5. Waterline Easements Real Property Acquisition

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13340** authorizing and directing that easement interests in certain real property be acquired by dedication, donation, or purchase, or the exercise of the power of eminent domain as a matter of public necessity, for the public purpose of water transmission main improvements.

Location: Northeast corner of Hayden Road and the Arizona 101 Freeway

Staff Contact(s): Dan Worth, Public Works Director, 480-312-5555,
daworth@scottsdaleaz.gov

6. Relocation of Salt River Project (SRP) Infrastructure Intergovernmental Agreement –

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13341** to authorize:

1. Agreement No. 2025-022-COS with the City of Tempe for the relocation of SRP infrastructure to City of Scottsdale right-of-way.
2. The City Manager, or designee, to execute any other documents and take such other actions as necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Location: Scottsdale Road and McKellips Road

Staff Contact(s): Dan Worth, Public Works Director, 480-312-5555,
daworth@scottsdaleaz.gov

7. Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13318** authorizing Design Build Preconstruction Phase Services Contract No. 2025-004-COS with Chasse Building Team, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,629,553.02, to provide design build manager preconstruction phase services for Bond 2019 Project 63 – Build New Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale.

Staff Contact(s): Dan Worth, Public Works Director, 480-312-5555,
daworth@scottsdaleaz.gov

(Moved to the Regular Agenda, see page 8)

8. Boys & Girls Club Naming of Diamondbacks Give Back Reading Room at Eldorado Community Center

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13333** to authorize:

1. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater of Greater Scottsdale, Inc., to name the Power Hour Room, currently a multipurpose room, at the Hartley and Ruth Barker Branch of the Boys & Girls Club within the Eldorado Community Center, the "*Diamondbacks Give Back Reading Room*".
2. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater of Greater Scottsdale, Inc., to recognize such naming using signage inside the room and outside the room, with the name "*D-Backs Give Back Reading Room*". in the size and manner approved in writing by the Community Services Assistant Executive Director, or designee.
3. The Community Services Assistant Executive Director, or designee, to execute any other documents and take such other actions as necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Staff Contact(s): Nick Molinari, Community Services Assistant Executive Director, 480-312-1011, nmolinar@scottsdaleaz.gov

9. Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13338** to authorize:

1. Acceptance of the 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, in the amount of up to \$35,398, to continue to partially fund a full-time Property and Evidence Technician position.
2. The Chief of Police, or designee(s), with the concurrence of the City Attorney, to conduct all negotiations and to execute and submit all documents and other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with the acceptance of the grant.

Staff Contact(s): Joe LeDuc, Interim Chief of Police, 480-312-1900,
jled@scottsdaleaz.gov

10. Council Committee and Subcommittee Appointments

Request: Confirm Mayor Borowsky's City Council committee and subcommittee appointments for the Audit Committee, Council Subcommittee on Education, Council Subcommittee on Community Safety, and Economic Development Subcommittee as follows:

1. Audit Committee – Councilmembers Graham, McAllen, and Whitehead
2. Council Subcommittee on Community Safety – Councilmembers Dubauskas, Kwasman, and Littlefield
3. Economic Development Subcommittee – Councilmembers Dubauskas, Kwasman, and Whitehead

Staff Contact(s): Terrance Thornton, Mayor's Chief of Staff, 480-312-7806,
tthornton@scottsdaleaz.gov

11. Monthly Financial Report (Fiscal Year-End)

Request: Accept the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Monthly Financial Report as of June 2024 (fiscal year-end).

Staff Contact(s): Ana Lia Johnson, Acting Budget Director, 480-312-7893, anjohnson@scottsdaleaz.gov

12. Monthly Financial Report

Request: Accept the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Monthly Financial Report as of November 2024.

Staff Contact(s): Ana Lia Johnson, Acting Budget Director, 480-312-7893, anjohnson@scottsdaleaz.gov

PUBLIC COMMENT – CONSENT AGENDA

There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda items.

MOTION AND VOTE – CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Borowsky requested Item 7 [Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract] be considered as part of the Regular Agenda.

Councilwoman Littlefield made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 12, noting that Item 7 [Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract] would be considered as part of the Regular Agenda. Vice Mayor Dubauskas seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.

REGULAR AGENDA

13. Chaparral Dog Park Signage

Request: Presentation, discussion, and possible direction to staff related to a citizen petition submitted at the January 14, 2025 City Council meeting regarding messaging and placement of signage throughout the Off Leash Activity area at Chaparral Dog Park.

Location: Southeast corner of Hayden Road and McDonald Road

Presenter(s): Nick Molinari, Community Services Assistant Executive Director

Staff Contact(s): Nick Molinari, Community Services Assistant Executive Director, 480-312-1011, nmolinar@scottsdaleaz.gov

Community Services Assistant Executive Director Nick Molinari gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached) on the proposed messaging and placement of the Chaparral Dog Park signage.

Citizen Petition Applicant Steve Sutton gave a presentation (attached) on the proposed messaging and placement of the Chaparral Dog Park signage.

MOTION AND VOTE – ITEM 13

Mayor Borowsky made a motion to approve the citizen petition granting the petitioner's request related to the messaging and placement of Chaparral Dog Park signage.

Councilwoman Whitehead seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.

14. Merit-Based Employment and Discontinuation of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Programs

Request: Adopt **Ordinance No. 4662** to:

1. Ensure city employees are hired, evaluated, and promoted based on merit, protecting City of Scottsdale employees from unlawful and anti-meritocratic forms of discrimination, and ensuring that residents and taxpayers are served by the most qualified city employees.
2. Discontinue the use of city funds for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) systemic programming, to include the Office of DEI, DEI programming and trainings, and other initiatives that could arguably violate A.R.S. § 41-1494. Training and prevention of unlawful discrimination remains encouraged and shall continue.
3. Direct the City Manager, or designee, to reassign the Diversity Program Director and ADA/Title VI Compliance Coordinator to an appropriate department and position; reflect these changes in the city's organizational chart; and make the necessary budget transfers and amendments necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

Note: This item was added to the February 11, 2025 City Council Meeting agenda at the request of four or more members of the City Council.

Mayor Borowsky introduced the proposed ordinance related to Merit-Based Employment and Discontinuation of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Programs.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEM 14

Mayor Borowsky opened public comment on this item.

The following individuals spoke in support of this item:

- Josh Ursu, Scottsdale resident
- Zenaïda Fortune, Scottsdale resident

The following individuals spoke in opposition to this item:

- Roger Lurie, Scottsdale resident
- Dan Ishac, Scottsdale resident
- Bobbie Scopa, retired firefighter and fire chief
- Laurie Battaglia, Aligned at Work Chief Executive Officer
- Monica Villalobos, Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce President & Chief Executive Officer
- Betty Janik, former City of Scottsdale Councilmember
- James Eaneman, Scottsdale resident
- Dr. Joel Martin, Scottsdale resident
- Rabbi Dr. Robert Kravitz, Scottsdale resident
- Stanna Michelle Slater, Scottsdale resident
- TrixieAnn Golberg, Scottsdale resident
- Jeff Jameson, Scottsdale resident
- Tonya Collier, Scottsdale resident
- Neal Shearer, Scottsdale resident
- Reverend Ann Lyter, Scottsdale resident
- Lee Kauftheil, Scottsdale resident
- Ronda Kelso, Scottsdale resident
- Jan Dolan, Former City of Scottsdale City Manager
- Marion Kelly, Scottsdale Community Celebrating Diversity Board Member

- Todd Key, Team USA Paralympic Cycling Member
- Victoria Kauzlarich, Scottsdale resident
- Harry Maseloff, Scottsdale resident
- Erin Nicoletti, Scottsdale resident
- Larry Bernosky, Scottsdale resident
- Daniel Schwartz, Scottsdale resident
- Linda Milhaven, former City of Scottsdale Councilmember
- Eleanor Shaffer, Scottsdale resident
- Chris Asmussen, Scottsdale resident
- Mark Rentz, Scottsdale resident
- Kathryn Patten, Scottsdale resident
- Dana Close, Scottsdale resident
- Michelle Rose, NAACP East Valley Branch
- Nancy Dallett, Scottsdale resident
- Caitlyn Barnes, Glendale resident
- Jason Alexander, Scottsdale resident
- Jeff O'Connor, Scottsdale resident
- Nicole Baldauf, Scottsdale resident
- Dr. Racquel Armstrong, Chandler resident
- Janice Shimokubo, Scottsdale resident
- Andre Miller, NAACP Arizona State Vice President
- Andrew Scheck, Scottsdale resident
- Don Logan, Former City of Scottsdale Office of Diversity and Dialogue Director
- Nicholas Mentha, Scottsdale resident
- Katie Conway, Scottsdale resident
- Erica Ruhland, Scottsdale resident
- Yolanda Potter, Maricopa resident
- Robert Fishman, Scottsdale resident
- Hillary Lopez, Scottsdale resident
- Isaac Young, Scottsdale resident

Mayor Borowsky closed public comment on this item.

MOTION NO. 1 AND VOTE – ITEM 14

Councilwoman McAllen made a motion to direct the City Manager to put this item on a future Work Study Session for further discussion. Councilwoman Whitehead seconded the motion, which failed 2/5 with Councilmembers McAllen and Whitehead voting in the affirmative and Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman and Littlefield dissenting.

MOTION NO. 2 AND VOTE – ITEM 14

Vice Mayor Dubauskas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 4662. Councilman Graham seconded the motion, which carried 5/2, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman and Littlefield voting in the affirmative and Councilmembers McAllen and Whitehead dissenting.

15. Return to In-Person Office Work

Request: Adopt **Resolution No. 13353** directing Charter Officers and the Presiding City Judge to consider all positions working remotely and develop a plan to return employees to work in a timely manner, at their discretion.

Note: This item was added to the February 11, 2025 City Council Meeting agenda at the request of four or more members of the City Council.

Mayor Borowsky introduced the proposed resolution related to Return to In-Person Office Work.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEM 15

Mayor Borowsky opened public comment on this item.

Victor Assad, Scottsdale resident, spoke in opposition to this item.

Mayor Borowsky closed public comment on this item.

MOTION AND VOTE – ITEM 15

Councilman Graham made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 13353. Councilwoman Littlefield seconded the motion, which carried 5/2, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman and Littlefield voting in the affirmative and Councilmembers McAllen and Whitehead dissenting.

The City Council recessed the Regular Meeting at 8:20 P.M.

The City Council reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:26 P.M.

7. Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract

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Staff Contact(s): Dan Worth, Public Works Director, 480-312-5555, daworth@scottsdaleaz.gov

NOTE: Mayor Borowsky requested Item 7 [Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract] be considered after Item 15 [Return to In-Person Office Work] and before Item 16 [Public Hearing on Proposed Water and Wastewater Land Use Assumptions and Infrastructure Improvements Plans].

Mayor Borowsky introduced the proposed Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract.

City Engineer Alison Tymkiw gave a brief PowerPoint presentation (attached) on the proposed Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale Design Build Preconstruction Services Contract.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEM 7

Mayor Borowsky opened public comment on this item.

Dan Ishac, Scottsdale resident, spoke in opposition to this item.

French Thompson, Scottsdale resident, spoke in support of this item.

Bob Pejman, Scottsdale resident, spoke in support of this item.

Zenaida Fortune, Scottsdale resident, spoke in support of the farmer's market.

Mayor Borowsky closed public comment on this item.

MOTION NO. 1 – ITEM 7

Mayor Borowsky made a motion to continue the item to the March 18th City Council Meeting. Councilwoman Whitehead seconded the motion.

ALTERNATE MOTION – ITEM 7

Councilman Graham made an alternate motion to adopt Resolution No. 13318. Vice Mayor Dubauskas seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION NO. 1– ITEM 7

The Council first voted on Mayor Borowsky's motion to continue as this motion receives priority voting over other motions per Council Rules of Procedure Rule 11.7. The motion failed 2/5, with Mayor Borowsky and Councilmember Whitehead voting in the affirmative and Vice Mayor Dubauskas and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield and McAllen dissenting.

VOTE ON ALTERNATE MOTION– ITEM 7

The Council then voted on Councilman Graham's alternate motion to adopt Resolution No. 13318, which carried 6/1, with Vice Mayor Dubauskas and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative and Mayor Borowsky dissenting.

16. Public Hearing on Proposed Water and Wastewater Land Use Assumptions and Infrastructure Improvements Plans

Request: Accept citizen comments at a public hearing regarding proposed Water and Wastewater Land Use Assumptions and Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvement Plans related to proposed changes to development fees.

Presenter(s): Kevin Rose, Interim Water Resources Executive Director,

Staff Contact(s): Kevin Rose, Interim Water Resources Executive Director, 480-312-5621, kröse@scottsdaleaz.gov

Interim Water Resources Executive Director Kevin Rose gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached) on the Proposed Water and Wastewater Land Use Assumptions and Infrastructure Improvements Plans.

PUBLIC HEARING – ITEM 16

Mayor Borowsky opened the public hearing on this item.

There was no public testimony on this item.

Mayor Borowsky closed the public hearing on this item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lee Kauftheil, Scottsdale resident, commented on the many awards that the city of Scottsdale has received over the last 20 years

CITIZEN PETITIONS

17. Receipt of Citizen Petitions

Request: Accept and acknowledge receipt of citizen petitions. Any member of the Council may make a motion, to be voted on by the Council, to: (1) Direct the City Manager to agendize the petition for further discussion; (2) direct the City Manager to investigate the matter and prepare a written response to the Council, with a copy to the petitioner; or (3) take no action.

Staff Contact(s): Ben Lane, City Clerk, 480-312-2411, blane@scottsdaleaz.gov

No citizen petitions were received.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

*****18. Agendize a Future Work Study Session Related to the Sustainability Task Force**

Request: At the request of Mayor Borowsky, agendize a work study session discussion to identify the scope, structure, goals, and need or purpose of the task force created through Resolution No. 13335, to look at the long-term sustainability of the city by examining fiscal, population, and conservation needs.

MOTION NO. 1 – ITEM 18

Councilwoman McAllen made a motion to direct the City Manager and other responsible Charter Officers to agendize this item for a future Work Study Session. Councilwoman Whitehead seconded the motion.

ALTERNATE MOTION – ITEM 18

Mayor Borowsky made an alternate motion to direct the City Manager and other responsible Charter Officers to investigate the matter and prepare a written response to the Council. Vice Mayor Dubauskas seconded the motion.

WITHDRAW MOTION NO. 1 – ITEM 18

Councilwoman McAllen later withdrew her original motion.

VOTE ON ALTERNATE MOTION – ITEM 18

The Council then voted on Mayor Borowsky's motion to direct the City Manager and other responsible Charter Officers to investigate the matter and prepare a written response to the Council, which carried 5/2 with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman and Littlefield voting in the affirmative and Councilmembers McAllen and Whitehead dissenting.

MOTION AND VOTE – ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Kwasman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Councilman Graham seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Borowsky; Vice Mayor Dubauskas; and Councilmembers Graham, Kwasman, Littlefield, McAllen, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Borowsky adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:47 P.M.

SUBMITTED BY:



Ben Lane, City Clerk

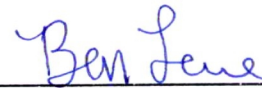
Officially approved by the City Council on March 4, 2025

C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of Scottsdale, Arizona, held on the 11th day of February 2025.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 4th day of March 2025.



Ben Lane, City Clerk

Chaparral Park Dog Park Signage

Nick Molinari
February 11, 2025

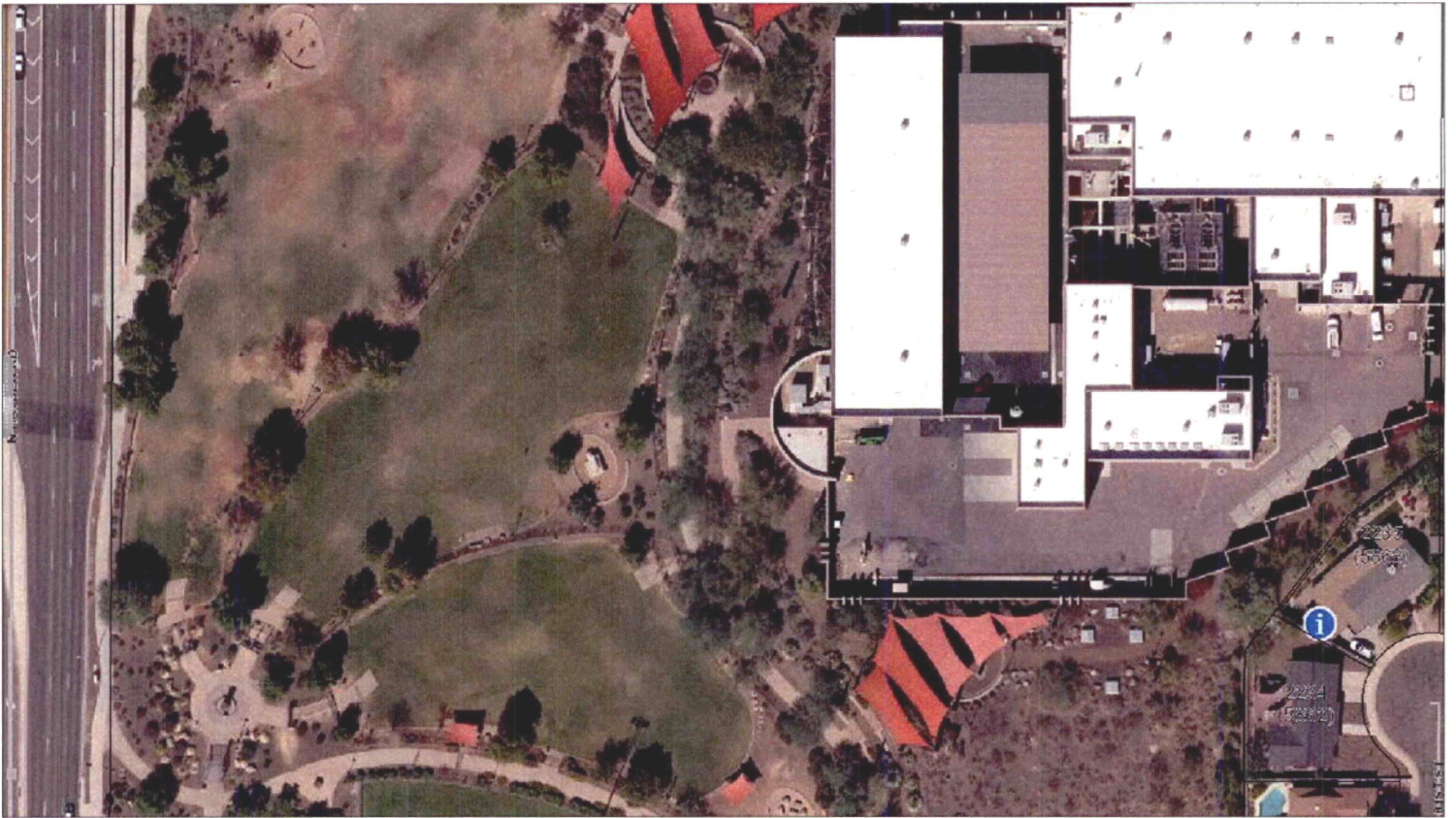


Background

Chaparral Park Dog Park features three fenced areas:

- Two larger areas designated for large dogs (rotated for turf maintenance and rest)
- One smaller area designated for small dogs
- 2023 signage change: from “Active/Passive” to “Large/Small” in summer of 2023 based on public feedback from dog park users
- Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed dog park update about signage, maintenance, and issues on June 21, 2023





Citizen Concerns & Petition

- Public comments by Mr. Sutton at multiple Parks and Recreation Commission meetings (Aug. – Oct. 2024)
- Several individual meetings with Mr. Sutton and Parks and Recreation Department staff
- Parks and Recreation Commission directed staff to conduct research on dog park signage and bring information back to the Commission
- Citizen petition submitted by Mr. Sutton in Nov. 2024 requested:
 - Remove “large/small” designated signage
 - Base usage on dog behavior instead of size
 - Use additional messaging to reinforce appropriate use



Research & Benchmarking

Benchmarking

- 17 dog parks randomly selected throughout the United States
- Scottsdale's nine Valley comparable cities (Queen Creek, Phoenix, Gilbert, Chandler, Tempe, Mesa, Glendale, Fountain Hills, Peoria)
- 13 national cities with populations similar to Scottsdale (between 225,000 and 265,000)

Findings

- 28 cities had signage using the terminology "small dogs" and "large dogs"
- 11 cities use other approaches (e.g., "active/timid," "all sizes," "active/passive")



Research & Benchmarking

Industry Recommendations:

- **American Kennel Club** – "If space allows, it is preferable to provide separate areas for small and large dogs. This will enable large dog owners to allow their pets to run more freely, while protecting smaller dogs who may not be suited to the enthusiastic play of larger breeds."
- **The Trust for Public Land** – "Separate areas for small and large dogs. All for dogs of different sizes and ages to avoid interacting (and causing possible conflicts) by creating separate areas for different-sized dogs and their humans."
- **National Recreation & Park Association (NRPA)**
 - "They have separately fenced areas for large and small dogs."
 - "Material Considerations for Comfortable, Active Dog Parks – Separate areas for large and small dogs."
 - "It is most efficient to designate at least three separate areas to be used for dogs on a scheduled rotation: Open area for timid dogs; Open area for active dogs; Closed/locked area being aerated/top-dressed/over-seeded/resting."



Analysis & Assessment

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- No standard way to configure a dog park
- “Small/large is the most common designation for municipal dog parks
- Regardless of size or behavior designations, additional signage would benefit park users



Seek Direction from the Council

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1. Direct staff to present research and outreach findings to the Parks and Recreation Commission at their February 19, 2025 meeting, and follow the Commission's recommendation(s) about dog park signage. Continue to work with dog park users on updated messaging and improved placement of signage throughout the Chaparral Park Off Leash Activity area;

or

2. Council to provide other action or direction in response to the original request presented on January 14, 2025.



Questions?



ITEM 13

APPLICANT

**Councilmember Copy of Steve Sutton's planned presentation
February 11, 2025, City Council Meeting
Agenda Item 13 Chaparral Dog Park Signage**

Tonight, we are asking the Council to increase the level of safety at Chaparral Dog Park. The currently installed Small Dog Area and Large Dog Area Signs provide less safety than the 16-year-old Passive Dog Area and Active Dog Area signs they replaced. Residents of Scottsdale request that you vote **tonight** for the installation of the new Passive Dog Area and Active Dog Area signs and the new Dog Park Etiquette Signs. These signs were created by some of the dog park's most frequent users and endorsed by hundreds of other users.

Physical size is **not** a reliable indicator of human or canine behavior. Socialization, not breed or size, is the most significant factor influencing dog behavior. That is why we have videos of Pit Bulls cuddling kittens and cats being treated as members of a pack of Huskies.

Behavior-based designation signs are used at many dog parks in the United States, including Anthem, Fountain Hills, Gilbert, Goodyear, Mesa, and Queen Creek, Arizona. The behavior-based signs we are proposing are better than any others I have seen because they give basic definitions of Active and Passive. The size-based signs currently installed do not define what is Small and Large. In fact, throughout the United States size-based signs are inconsistent in defining what size delineates a Small Dog from a Large Dog.

Behavior-based Passive Dog Area and Active Dog Area Designation Signs necessary to address common situations at the dog park and help to prevent injury to humans and dogs. Situations such as these examples:

People with two passive dogs of quite different sizes.

Large older dogs and large breed puppies that infirmity or immaturity make it unsafe for them to play with very active mature dogs.

Large and small dogs that, due to abuse prior to rescue, are very timid and unhappy. At the dog park I've seen these dogs become confident and happy after socializing with passive dogs.

Smaller hunting or herding type dogs that occasionally are too active for a Passive Area but capable of safely playing with larger active dogs. For example, Corgis, a dog bred to dodge the feet of the cattle they herd.

Most importantly we need to give guidance to first time users of the park that have large timid dogs. These dogs are sometimes singled out by very active dogs for play that the timid dog perceives as torment and can result in physical injury. It was such an incident causing injuries requiring stitches to close wounds that became the impetus for asking the Parks and Recreation Department to go back to Passive and Active signs.

The new Passive Dog Area and Active Dog Area Signs would be located on the entry gate and their text provides basic guidance for deciding which area is most appropriate for a person's dog. They also succinctly explain and encourage appropriate behavior at the dog park.

Appropriate Dog Park Etiquette is what our current Behavior Policy and Regulation signs attempt to promote. There are multiple copies posted at the dog park. These signs are not located on the entry gates of the designated areas, they are on the inside fencing. While the messages of these signs are necessary, they are insufficiently effective due to language style, design, location, and most importantly: very few visitors to the park say they read them or remember many details if they read them.

The new Dog Park Etiquette Signs are designed to encourage good behavior rather than warn people of what is considered bad behavior. These signs are intended to be very large with very large text to present a simple main message that from almost any location inside the dog park can be comprehended even if only subliminally. In smaller text between and below the main message is explanatory information amplifying the main message.

To promote community communication and cooperation both types the signs have the text: **Talk to fellow dog owners about cooperating in helping each other keep your dogs and yourselves safe.**

Item #7: Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well 161 Equipping Project Construction Bid

Adopt Resolution No. 13318 authorizing Contract No. 2025-004-COS with Chasse Building Team Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,629,553.02 to provide Design Build Manager (DBM) preconstruction services for Bond 2019 Project No. 63 – Build Parking Structures in Old Town Scottsdale



Project Location





Questions?



Land Use Assumptions and Infrastructure Improvements Plan for Water and Wastewater

Public Hearing | February 11, 2025
Kevin Rose, Interim Water Resources Executive Director



Land Use Assumptions (LUA) Report 2

- Covers the period 2026 to 2035
- Must be updated at least every five years
- Shows projections of changes in land uses, densities, intensities and population for the service area for ten years or more pursuant to the General Plan



Infrastructure Improvements Plan (IIP) ³

- Defines existing and future level of service
- Equivalent Demand Unit (EDU) - Equal to one detached single family dwelling unit
- Estimates cost of future and system expansions based on the Land Use Assumptions
- The IIP timeline is the same as the LUA



Existing and Future Level of Service (LOS) ⁴

- State law requires that a LOS be established
 - Water LOS is defined as the system's ability to meet the peak day demand per EDU
 - Wastewater LOS is defined as the system's ability to meet the average annual day demand per EDU



Development Fees

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- Development fees are one-time fees charged to offset costs associated with providing necessary public services to a new development
- Development fees must result in a beneficial use to the development
- Historically, Scottsdale has adopted only water and wastewater development fees



Development Fee Process Timeline

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February 11, 2025

Public Hearing on LUA and IIP

April 8, 2025

Request City Council to adopt LUA and IIP

May 20, 2025

Public Hearing on Development Fee Report

June 24, 2025

Request City Council to adopt development fees

September 15, 2025

New development fees become effective

