Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Head called the special meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

TRANSIT MANAGER: Michael Peluso

DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

1. Discussion regarding the transit hub design and final approval.

City Manager Cotter said the project had been in progress for many years and was contingent on several factors, primarily federal funding. He said the transit facility would be located next to the Motor Vehicle Department.

Transit Manager Peluso said the project began after the design contract was awarded in June 2023. He said staff made significant progress throughout the project, holding several public meetings at both the commission and council levels. He said the plans were finalized in February 2025, and Selberg Associates gave a final presentation to the Transit Commission earlier in May. He said staff then worked to finalize the scheduling to present the plan to the Council, and he hoped to receive approval of the final plans later that evening so they could move forward with securing funding to make the project a reality.

Rob Sampson with Selberg Associates gave a slideshow presentation. He said the facility would be located at the corner of Hoppas Drive and Alonas Way and would fit well with the existing city complex. He said the design team explored several ways to maximize the site, focusing on visibility, safety, and accessibility for all residents. He said multiple modes of transportation were considered, including city buses, a potential future Greyhound hub, bicycle parking, and alternative vehicles. He said the site plan provides clear separation between public and private areas and ensures efficient traffic circulation. He said the said the west side of the plan features a sawtooth design for bus parking, with each space color-coded for different bus lines and said this layout eliminates the need for buses to back up, improving visibility and safety. He said the south side of the plan includes the terminal building with offices, and the maintenance building is located to the north, as identified by staff to allow maintenance on-site. He said the southeast corner includes a gated area for secure storage. He also showed an artist's rendering of the site, which included a drive-through area for buses and covered parking for both staff and the public, with the potential for future solar lighting.

Mr. Sampson said the color palette would complement other city facilities while giving the transit center its own distinct identity. He said the building will feature a large glass lobby with geometric designs and a mix of colors and when lit at night, the lobby will be visible from the road, signaling that the facility is open. He said the site includes five spaces for four city buses and one future Greyhound bus, and the design allows for city growth over the next 10 to 15 years. He said the outdoor seating area will be covered, with a walkway connecting through it.

Mr. Sampson said the floor plan for the terminal building featured a main lobby as the focal point, with a business area for passengers waiting. He said there would be a combined ticket and dispatch office, allowing one person to handle both functions. He said the design also included a large training room that could be used for multiple purposes, as well as offices and a staff break room with a separate entrance so employees would not need to walk through the main lobby. He said the maintenance building would include two pull-through bays, an additional bay, and a wash bay. He said it would also have a conference room, restrooms, and a mezzanine above the office for extra storage. He added that after discussions with Silver Rider, the design was revised to replace the fixed pit with moveable lifts that could be positioned as needed, allowing more flexibility and preventing a bay from being tied up solely for oil changes.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked how the design addressed the summer sun and heat, noting that the front of the terminal faces west. Mr. Sampson said the building would have good insulation and heat-reflective glass, and there would be ample shading around the structure. He added that the air conditioning system would be capable of handling high temperatures. Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the parking structure covers would be able to accommodate solar panels. Mr. Sampson said the existing would be replaced with solar panel structures.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo then asked if there would be a system for disposing of used oil and fluids. Mr. Sampson said mechanics would use 55-gallon drums for used fluids, which would be collected and disposed of by a third party. He said the floor would include a trench drain leading to a sand interceptor that would also be serviced by a third party, similar to systems used in car dealerships or standard auto shops. Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the offices would be fully enclosed. Mr. Sampson said they would be enclosed with hard walls and glass panels to allow visibility into the offices while providing sound control and privacy. He added that the offices could be locked for security or used for storage if needed. Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the walls would be movable panels. Mr. Sampson said the walls would not be movable panels.

Council Member Dallman asked if there had been any consideration of adding shades that could be lowered, similar to those used in the Council Chambers, to help block sunlight during certain times of the year. Mr. Sampson said the design included shade elements at the top of the building to help diffuse direct sunlight. He said there would also need to be additional sun management features, such as interior window shades or films, to further reduce glare and heat.

Council Member Smith asked if the facility would be large enough to accommodate a Greyhound bus. Mr. Sampson said one of the bus bays at the end of the row was designed to be longer than the others specifically for that purpose. He said the design team verified the dimensions of a standard Greyhound bus to ensure it would fit. He noted that having a Greyhound stop there was unlikely at this time, since the company currently operates from another location at the far end of town, the design allows for that possibility in the future or for use as a tour bus hub.

Council Member O'Neill asked if the glass area would serve as a waiting area for passengers to watch buses or activity outside. Mr. Sampson answered affirmative. Council Member O'Neill then asked if there would be offices located behind that area. Mr. Sampson answered affirmative.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item.

Scotty McClure expressed concerns about shade and wind protection, comparing the proposed seating to those at the courthouse, which he described as uncomfortable. He suggested adding misting fans or regular fans to help with the heat and reiterated his opposition to placing the building facing west. He also raised safety concerns about the proposed electric vehicle charging stations, questioning whether the fire department had the proper equipment to extinguish potential car fires. He said the city should not install chargers if it was not prepared to handle such emergencies. He asked whether the project would be part of the Metropolitan Planning Organization or a separate entity. City Manager Cotter clarified that it would not be part of that organization.

City Manager Cotter explained that the item would be included on the regular agenda that evening, allowing staff to pursue grants and advance the application process. He said the hope was to secure the grant and move the project forward. He noted that it had been a long process, emphasizing the significance of the project and the need for substantial federal funding. He encouraged council members to communicate with contacts in the federal government to express the city's interest in seeing the project funded.

MOTION: Council Member Smith made a motion to adjourn the special meeting and convene into executive session at 4:01 p.m. Council Member O'Neill seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the City Attorney concerning the Mohave County Airport Authority. Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-431.03(A)(3).

Council Member Ring made a motion to adjourn from Executive Session and the Special Meeting at 5:15 p.m. Council Member Newlin seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Head declared the special meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 21st day of October 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 23rd day of October 2025.

Debie Ogden, MMC, CPM

City Clerk

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Head called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited Pastor George Lyman to deliver the invocation. Council Member Ring led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden POLICE CAPTAIN: Jason Harms FINANCE DIRECTOR: Robert Drexler

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

UTILITIES DIRECTOR: Mark R. Clark

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Walk Away from Drugs Proclamation

Mayor Head read the proclamation presented it to Lorrie Duggins of the Bullhead City Police Department. Ms. Duggins thanked McKee Foods, Coca-Cola, and DJ Loki for their support for this year's event.

2. Davis Dam 75th Anniversary Logo Presentation

Mayor Head introduced Mohave County Clerk of the Board Laura Skubal who represented Supervisor Rich Lettman. Ms. Skubal said the spirit of Davis Dam has stood for 75 years as a symbol of ingenuity and cooperation, harnessing the strength of the Colorado River to create opportunity and progress for Mohave County and beyond. She thanked the logo's artist Sheila Berger who then revealed the new logo.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Head opened the call to the public.

Diana Lestat, Loyal Knight of the Bullhead City Elks Lodge, announced the free Haunted Lodge walk-through event to be held at Bullhead City Elks Lodge #2408 located at 1745 Emerald Road on Saturday, October 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. She said the free Trunk or Treat event will take place in the parking lot next door to the Lodge on Friday, October 31st from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Pastor George Lyman with Desert Shores Community Baptist Church invited the public to attend their 2nd Annual Pumpkin Patch to be held on Saturday, October 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 2625 Landon Drive. He said Trunk or Treat will be held in the parking lot on October 31st from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

James Scheller, Director of the Laughlin-Bullhead International Airport, thanked the city for their support and the City Council for visiting the airport to learn about the operations. He extended an invitation to anyone to come visit, learn something new, and take a tour of the tower.

Chris Cleansing spoke regarding his high-usage water bill. He said he lives in the Punto De Vista development and experienced a water leak in mid-August that resulted in an \$847 water bill. He said he contacted the Finance Department and submitted an explanation of the incident, after which he received a \$236 credit. He inquired whether he might be eligible for any additional adjustments. He said he was informed that when the city assumed control of the water company, the Council established a formula based on prior usage, but when he asked for details about the formula, he was told it was confidential. Mayor Head asked Mr. Cleansing to meet with Assistant City Manager Pruitt for further assistance.

Larry Tunforss said he has lived in Bullhead City for 45 years and has watched the community grow and develop. He thanked the City Council for their hard work and said he is proud to live in Bullhead City. He added that he knows council members communicate with staff and conduct research on each agenda item before the meetings, noting that some citizens may not be aware of that.

Scotty McClure expressed concern about a stop sign recently installed on Country Club Drive near the storage units and asked who had authorized the installation. He said the sign was difficult to see when vehicles were parked in front of it and warned that it could cause accidents. He said there had been no public comment or discussion about the sign at recent meetings, including the Board of Supervisors meeting. He compared it to the new road on Mountain View, where stop signs were added after public meetings and input. Mr. McClure said he had submitted two public records requests seeking detailed information about conversations from two previous meetings but had not yet received a response. He said meeting minutes could be completed more quickly by implementing a system that could produce minutes automatically, similar to body cameras used by law enforcement, which had been effective in his own legal matters. Mr. McClure also questioned why the city still charges a \$50 fee for water heater replacements when the County no longer requires a permit for the work. He then referenced a prior meeting conversation, alleging that it may have violated open meeting laws, and said he intended to follow up once he received the requested minutes.

Julie Hassett with Colorado River Concerts announced the concerts are 4 times a year and the next concert is November 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Mohave High School Auditorium with Mid-Atlantic Men. She said the cost for the entire season is \$100. She said go to CRconcerts.com for more information.

Having no one else present requesting to speak, Mayor Head closed the call to the public.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

long-term financial strategy to stabilize the city's water and sewer enterprise funds, maintain high-quality, dependable service, and ensure responsible fiscal management. He encouraged all residents to attend one of the upcoming workshops, ask questions, and learn how the changes will affect their household bills.

2. City Council Election Information

City Clerk Ogden announced the City Clerk's Office will have candidate packets available for the 2026 Election starting October 22nd, to fill the following council offices: one Mayor position with a four-year term; two City Council Member positions with four-year terms; and one City Council Member position with a two-year term. She said all four-year terms will begin November 2026 and end November 2030, and the two-year term will begin November 2026 and end November 2028. She said to pick up a candidate packet, please call the Bullhead City Clerk's office at (928) 763-9400 extension 8448 to schedule an appointment.

3. Sports Tourism and Special Events

City Manager Cotter said that on a typical weekend in Bullhead City, there is usually a special event such as Corn Fest, Balloon Fest, concerts, or other activities, along with one or more sporting events taking place in the city's parks through May. He reminded local businesses that this busy season has arrived and noted that from soccer to football, baseball, and softball, the community will be very active in the months ahead.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Dallman announced that the Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River would host their annual Corn Fest on Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. She said the Americorn Idol contest had returned, with finalists who had been performing over the past few months competing for a grand prize of \$500.00 She added that this year marked the 25th anniversary of Corn Fest and noted that all proceeds benefit youth programs in the community.

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1-3) All items appearing on the consent agenda will be approved with one motion and without separate discussion unless a Council Member so requests.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo made a motion that Items 1-3 on the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Newlin seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

- 1. Approve the minutes of the August 18, 2025 Special Council Meeting; August 18, 2025 Regular Council Meeting; and September 16, 2025 Regular Council Meeting. (City Clerk Ogden)
- 2. Approve the preliminary condominium plat for a project known as Pueblo Del Rio, located at 370 Riverfront Drive, and described as River Retreat, Tract 1223-A, Lot 13, Section 13, T20N, R23W, Bullhead City, Arizona. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)
- 3. Approve the preliminary condominium plat for a project known as La Jolla Village, located at 810 Indian Head Drive, and described as First Revised Plat of Sunridge Estates, Tract 4042-A, Block 9, Lot 1, Section 21, T21N, R21W, Bullhead City, Arizona. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)

<u>PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA</u> None

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

4. <u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Discussion and possible action to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2025-11, approving a zoning map change from C2 (General Commercial) to PAD (Planned Area Development) with underlying R1L (Residential: Single-Family Limited) uses, and approval of the preliminary plat for a project known as The Dunes at Bullhead, generally located on the south side of the Bullhead Parkway and west of the Mohave Crossroads subdivision, and described as a portion of Section 11, T19N, R22W, Bullhead City, Arizona. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)

Planning Manager Loera said the parcel consists of 33 acres located just west of the Mohave Crossroads Shopping Center. He said that in March of this year, the Council approved a General Plan amendment changing the land use designation from General Commercial to Medium High Density Residential. He said the applicant has submitted plans for a Planned Area Development (PAD) that would include 150 attached or detached single-family homes. He said the homes would resemble duplexes, but would each be located on individually owned lots. He explained that the proposed development would include amenities such as a dog park, swimming pool, boat and RV parking for residents, open space, and potentially a clubhouse. He noted that site access was a key aspect of the project, as it would be provided from the existing driveway behind Ross and Boot Barn. He said at present that driveway is private, but as part of the project's final plat process, it would be widened, built to city standards, dedicated to the city, and converted into a public roadway. He said the development would then have two entrances from that access road. He said all interior drives and parcels within the development would remain privately owned and maintained by the homeowner's

association. He addressed a prior concern about access from the south via Terra Loma Drive, clarifying that there would be no access from Terra Loma but instead, a fire department compliant turnaround would be installed at that point but would not connect into the development. He said the developer requested some variations from city development standards, primarily related to building setbacks, lot sizes, and height requirements and said the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the request and recommended approval.

Council Member O'Neill asked if the road behind Ross would be widened. Planning Manager Loera said the driveway will be widened to city standards and then dedicated to the city. Council Member O'Neill asked if the improvements would extend all the way to the Parkway. Planning Manager Loera said it would not extend all the way down to Kohl's, as that distance is not necessary, but it will continue up to the second entrance into the development.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the fire department had approved the plans. Planning Manager Loera explained the fire department had reviewed the submitted plans and had no objections at this point. He said if the project is approved and moves to the final plat stage, detailed plans will again be sent to the fire department for review, and Council will have the opportunity to provide comments at that time. Vice Mayor Alfonzo said his main concern was access, noting that given the site's location, it could be difficult for a large fire truck to maneuver through the area within the required response time.

City Manager Cotter said the city street located behind Ross that connects to the Parkway will be a full city street. He said the city has been working with the developer who owns the Target Center, and there are no issues with obtaining the additional right-of-way needed to build the street. He said this will ensure there are no problems with emergency vehicle access. He added there had also been discussions about the neighborhood to the south regarding connectivity through the Long Avenue/Ash area. He said it is the city's opinion that residents of the new development would have no reason to use that route, and since the neighborhood did not want any connection there, traffic will instead be directed to the new city street, which will be constructed and paid for by the developer.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one spoke.

Council Member Newlin made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-11, approving a zoning map change from C2 (General Commercial) to PAD (Planned Area Development) with underlying R1L (Residential: Single-Family Limited) uses, and approval of the preliminary plat for a project known as The Dunes at Bullhead, generally located on the south side of the Bullhead Parkway and west of the Mohave Crossroads subdivision, and described as a portion of Section 11, T19N, R22W, Bullhead City, Arizona. Vice Mayor Alfonzo seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Discussion and possible action to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12, by reference, approving an amendment to Accessory Structures, Chapter 17.06, General District Requirements, Title 17 of the Bullhead City Municipal Code; and adopting RESOLUTION NO. 2025R-47, declaring the code amendment a public record. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)

City Manager Cotter explained that he, along with Development Services Director Chooniyom and Planning Manager Loera, had been contacted by a developer who raised this issue. He said the developer noted that with new development, there is growing interest from buyers who want larger garages, particularly on bigger lots in areas such as Punto De Vista. He said that under current regulations, this type of development is not permitted, but the developer already has a few potential clients interested in the concept. He added that it is somewhat unique, as some people are seeking smaller homes with larger garages.

Planning Manager Loera explained that current code allows accessory structures, such as garages or detached carports, to be up to 50 percent larger than the living space. He explained that a 1,000 square foot home could have a 1,500 square foot accessory structure. He said the existing architectural standards for these structures require them to be painted the same or similar color as the house, and if it is metal, the panels must have a baked-on or patterned finish rather than plain metal. He said the proposed amendment would increase the allowable size from 50 percent to 150 percent of the living space but would also introduce more detailed architectural standards. He said these standards would prohibit metal siding, require all building elevations visible from streets or neighboring homes to include at least three architectural elements such as pop-outs, variations in rooflines, or canopies and specify that the visible facade be constructed from conventional materials like stucco, brick, block, or stone, though the underlying structure could still be metal, wood, or block. He said under the proposed code, a 1,000 square foot home could have up to 2,500 square feet of garage space. He added that the structures would still be subject to all other regulations, including lot coverage, setbacks, and maximum heights, and that the amendment would not override any homeowners association regulations. He noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended approval of the amendment.

Council Member Smith asked if the architectural standards would apply to all accessory buildings or only to the larger structures. Planning Manager Loera confirmed that the standards would apply to just the larger structures.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo said he was glad it was clarified that the amendment would not supersede existing homeowners' association regulations. He noted that overriding HOA rules could create issues with compliance to the common scheme of neighborhoods and potentially impact property values.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one spoke.

Council Member Smith made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-12, by reference, approving an amendment to Accessory Structures, Chapter 17.06, General District Requirements, Title 17 of the Bullhead City Municipal Code; and adopting Resolution No. 2025R-47, declaring the code amendment a public record. Council Member Dallman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the ClearGov Service Order dated September 15, 2025, for a three-year budgeting software subscription in the amount of \$180,354.02 plus applicable taxes, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments. (Finance Director Drexler)

Finance Director Drexler explained that the contract under discussion is for the city's budget software. He said that during the annual budget process, all departmental requests, including capital projects and personnel data, are entered into the software. He noted that the city transitioned to this software five years ago and has had consistently positive results, expressing satisfaction with its performance and the desire to continue using it. He added that the new version of the software includes AI components but added while AI does not perform all tasks automatically, it provides tools to assist departments, the Finance Director, and the budget manager in preparing and managing the budget.

Council Member Dallman asked how the company determined the annual 3 percent increase. Finance Director Drexler explained that the city started using the software five years ago at a very low price, as Bullhead City was one of the first cities to implement the system. He noted that the city had helped the company develop sub-line items, a feature not previously offered. He said the 3 percent annual increase is intended to cover inflation and rising costs.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one spoke.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo made a motion to approve the ClearGov Service Order dated September 15, 2025, for a three-year budgeting software subscription in the amount of \$180,354.02 plus applicable taxes, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments. Council Member O'Neill seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

7. Discussion and possible action to approve renaming the Chaparral Golf and Country Club to Chaparral Golf Course and Restaurant and retaining the official logo as modified in name. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said this item requested that the Council rename the Chaparral Golf Course and Country Club to the Chaparral Golf Course and Restaurant. He said the request also sought approval to retain the Chaparral logo for use with the new name. He explained that removing "Country Club" from the name conveys that the facility is open to all members of the public.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one spoke.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve renaming the Chaparral Golf and Country Club to Chaparral Golf Course and Restaurant and retaining the official logo as modified in name. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Discussion and possible action to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 2025R-48, authorizing submission and receipt of a Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities grant application to fund a portion of the capital expenses for the Bullhead Area Transit System for the period starting October 1, 2025. (Human Services Director Tipton)

Human Services Director Tipton said the request was for Council approval to submit a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 grant application. He explained that the grant would fund the purchase of a replacement transit bus, with a total cost of \$217,309.00. He said 80 percent of the cost would be covered by federal funds, and the remaining 20 percent of \$43,461.00 would be the city's local match. He added that the local match had been included and approved in the city's budget.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item.

Bullhead City Metropolitan Planning Organization (BHCMPO) Director Steve D'Amico read a letter of support for the grant. He said the Bullhead City Metropolitan Planning Organization is fully supportive of these vehicle purchases and the opportunity to maintain a well-maintained fleet, as well as the opportunity to provide the local community with resources to ease and enhance the use of Bullhead City Area Transit service. He said he recommends the funding be approved for the needs of the Bullhead Area Transit.

Council Member Ring made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025R-48, authorizing submission and receipt of a Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities grant application to fund a portion of the capital expenses for the Bullhead Area Transit System for the period starting October 1, 2025. Council Member Dallman seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Discussion and possible action to approve the Bullhead City Multimodal Transit Facility Plans for future development of a dedicated transit facility and authorize staff to identify funding sources consistent with the implementation of the approved plans for the facility. (Human Services Director Tipton)

City Manager Cotter explained that the Council had held numerous workshops on the project and emphasized that this item was not the final step. He said the request was for approval of the engineering and architectural plans, with additional steps still required, including budget approval, funding, and eventual approval of a construction plan.

Human Services Director Tipton said the request was to approve the completed engineering and architectural plans for the new transit hub to be located at 1315 Alonas Way. He noted that a workshop had been held earlier that day to review many of the project details. He added that the Transit Commission approved the final design in May 2025, and added once the plans are approved, staff will begin seeking grant funding for construction of the multimodal transit facility, which will enhance the city's ability to provide high-quality transit service.

Transit Manager Peluso said the workshop included a review of the site plan, which features a sawtooth pattern for bus traffic, and the two main components of the facility being the administrative hub with a passenger seating and ticketing area, and the maintenance facility. He said reviewing the individual building plans demonstrated that the new facility would provide safe and efficient transit service for the community in the future.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one spoke.

Council Member Ring made a motion to approve the Bullhead City Multimodal Transit Facility Plans for future development of a dedicated transit facility and authorize staff to identify funding sources consistent with the implementation of the approved plans for the facility. Vice Mayor Alfonzo seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

10. Discussion and possible action to approve acceptance of a "Deuce-and-a-Half" (2½-ton) static military display and authorize use of the remaining unspent funds from the prior allocation for the two military Jeeps to cover acquisition, transport, installation and related display costs. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter explained that at the last meeting, the Council had approved forming a committee to review requests for donated static military equipment. He said the committee recently met when someone approached the city about acquiring a Deuce-and-a-Half truck to be placed on the Veterans Peninsula. He said a gentleman in Lake Havasu City who refurbishes military Jeeps had access to the vehicle. He noted that of the original \$15,000.00 allocated by the city, only \$1,480.00 had been spent, leaving the remaining funds available. He said the estimated cost for acquiring and refurbishing the truck is about \$7,500.00, with community organizations already pledging donations to cover part or all of the expense. He said the truck would be displayed on the peninsula alongside the Howitzer and the two Jeeps. He added that the committee would continue to review future requests for additional equipment for the park. He said the Mayor, Vice Mayor, Public Works Director, and he participated in the committee meeting and agreed that the truck would be a valuable addition to the Veterans Peninsula.

Council Member O'Neill asked if the Deuce-and-a-Half truck was still in pieces. City Manager Cotter responded that it would be transported to Lake Havasu City, where the same individual who restored the other vehicles would complete the refurbishment. He clarified that the truck will not be operational and is intended solely as a static display.

Mayor Head asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item.

Scotty McClure said the truck would have real tires, which he identified as the primary expense since the engine will not be operational. He added that aside from potential restroom facilities, he expects the finished display to look nice and appreciated that the city would not be investing in engine repairs.

Steve D'Amico said he thinks the project is amazing. He added that it will be a great feature for the Veterans Peninsula. He noted that as a veteran, along with other veterans present, understand the history of the Deuce-and-a-Half, which spans multiple generations. He said the display will resonate with people of all ages and shared that many veterans likely have personal stories involving the vehicle. He concluded by highly recommending approval of the project and expressed interest in potentially collaborating with the restorer on future projects, praising the value and skill demonstrated.

Mayor Head explained that the city did not purchase the vehicle "as is." He said the individual restoring it will complete the refurbishment before any city funds are spent, if any are needed at all, as donations may cover the cost and placement. He added that he had the opportunity to visit the World War II Museum in New Orleans and noted that, while Bullhead City may never match that standard, he hopes the city will always honor its veterans by displaying equipment that serves as a daily reminder of their sacrifices and contributions to the nation and the world.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve acceptance of a "Deuce-and-a-Half" (2½-ton) static military display and authorize use of the remaining unspent funds from the prior allocation for the two military Jeeps to cover acquisition, transport, installation and related display costs. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring, Smith NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Head declared the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 21st day of October 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 28th day of October 2025.

Debie Ogden, MMC, CPM

City Clerk