

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, June 17, 2025, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Mayor Alfonzo called the special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present

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

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden

POLICE CHIEF: Robert Trebes

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Robert Drexler

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

UTILITIES DIRECTOR: Mark R. Clark

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR: Saritti Chooniyom

1. **WAIVER MOTION:** Motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting.

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

**VOTE:** AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Discussion and possible action in accordance with A.R.S. § 42-17104. Now is the time for any taxpayer to appear and be heard in favor of or against any of the proposed expenditures before the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Final Budget for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona, is adopted. (Finance Director Drexler)

City Manager Cotter said the Council has spent many hours going through the line item budget. He said the city does not collect a sales tax and said revenue is generated from local sales tax, state shared revenue, income tax, state sales tax, and a variety of smaller funds.

Finance Director Drexler said they are presenting a balanced budget to the Council with total expenditures up to \$193,087,363.00. He said the general fund expenditures are \$50,580,517.00. He said there is over \$23million budgeted for public safety; \$20million budgeted for streets and flood control; \$31million budgeted in capital utility projects; and \$1.5million in various park projects. He said completing the animal shelter and the next phase of the community center is also in the budget.

He said the budget can be viewed on the city's website and said there is also a link to an interactive budget website and state schedules that the city is required to submit to the state.

Council Member Newlin said he has spent many hours going through the budget and said department heads and management did a good job. He said it is very important to the livelihoods of people who reside in Bullhead City that the city stands on solid financial ground. He said he wanted to place an emphasis on the top quality workmanship throughout all the projects staff undertakes. He said the city is building infrastructure that future generations will rely upon and amenities that will improve the quality of life. He said this is a good budget and said he will vote to approve it.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Vice Mayor Alfonzo closed the public hearing.

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 2025R-28, establishing the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona. (Finance Director Drexler)

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025R-28, establishing the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for the City of Bullhead City, Arizona. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Mayor Alfonzo declared the special meeting adjourned at 5:40 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 17th day of June 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 24th day of June 2025.

  
Debie Ogden, MM, 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, June 17, 2025, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

### **CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Mayor Alfonzo called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and invited Pastor George Lyman from Desert Shores Community Baptist Church to deliver the invocation. Council Member O'Neill led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### Council Present

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

#### Council Absent

None

#### Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Debie Ogden

POLICE CHIEF: Robert Trebes

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Robert Drexler

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

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### **PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

None

### **OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Vice Mayor Alfonzo opened the call to the public.

Pastor George Lyman spoke about the PALS Program that is held at Desert Shores Community Baptist Church on Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

Robynne Mieding said she was representing Military Moms. She said they would like to thank the Council for lining Hero's Highway (Highway 95) with the American Flag in recognition of those that have fought for us and have sacrificed for our freedom. She also thanked the Public Works Department for working tirelessly to maintain the flags.

Paula Hamby spoke about cuts that are being made to Veterans Affairs and how they are impacting veterans. She said cuts are being made to VA research funds and asked people to contact their representatives and express their displeasure.

Stephen Brown said the Bullhead Regional Food Bank is having a ribbon cutting ceremony on June 20th at 10:00 a.m. He thanked everyone that was involved with the project and invited the public to attend.

Pamela Smith spoke about the Colorado River Republican Women luncheon that will be held on July 2nd at Chaparral Country Club.

Grace Hecht said the following events are taking place in Bullhead City: Drive through food distribution at the Bullhead Regional Food Bank on June 21st and said they will be packing the food on June 20th; a community swap will take place at the Mohave County Library on June 20-21; a community baby shower will take place at Laughlin Ranch on June 19th; the Little Sprouts Farmers Market will take place at Mohave Community College on June 26th.

Eva Genovese spoke about the Republican Picnic that is taking place at the Hualapai Mountains Resort on July 26th.

Scotty McClure said the cuts that are being made to the VA are getting rid of waste, abuse, and fraud. He said people need to watch the Mohave County Supervisor's Meeting that took place yesterday and see what County Recorder Lydia Durst did. He said he wanted to see more AI in next year's budget.

Jacqueline Edge said the person who just spoke before her should watch his language and behave himself because children may be watching the meeting on TV. She said this is a local City Council meeting and said it is not appropriate to address federal problems. She said the new lighting on the Parkway looks very nice.

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

#### **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

None

#### **WAIVER MOTION**

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

**VOTE: AYES: Alfonzo, Dallman, Head, Newlin, O'Neill, Ring**

**NAYS: None ABSENT: None**

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

##### **1. Summer Camp**

City Manager Cotter said the Recreation Department has 836 registrants so far this year and said there is still one week left to register. He said to enroll your child, contact Recreation Manager Clare Adams at the Recreation Department.

## 2. Rotary Park Paid Parking July 4th Weekend and Labor Day Weekend

City Manager Cotter said the city will start charging for parking at Rotary Park on July 4th and Labor Day weekends. He said City policy allows for parking fees during special events or periods of heavy use. He said they have seen an overwhelming influx of out-of-town visitors taking advantage of free access to Rotary Park, and said this has significantly increased the city's expenses for maintenance, policing, and cleaning, particularly over recent holiday weekends. He said Bullhead City residents will still be able to access the park for free and non-residents can purchase a season pass for all city parks for \$35.00. He said the funds that are collected will go directly toward offsetting the added costs of safety, maintenance, and law enforcement. He said they are also working closely with the Bullhead City Police Department and park rangers to improve safety and access at the Nature Center and Ricardo Beach. He said over Memorial Day weekend, overcrowding created a dangerous situation and emergency responders could not have accessed the area if they needed to. He said vehicle traffic at the Nature Center will be actively monitored on busy weekends and capacity limits will be enforced during peak times, especially Saturdays and Sundays, to ensure public safety.

## 3. Highway 95 Right Turn Lanes

City Manager Cotter said the city received \$8 million in funding to improve right-turn lanes across several key intersections. He said to date, they have expended approximately \$1.7 million on design and early construction activities. He said the Mohave Drive project has already been awarded, and said construction will begin later this year. He said the turn lane by Mohave High School is currently under construction, and said the extended right-turn lane in front of Safeway is currently in the design phase. He said this project, along with improvements on Meadows Drive and Laughlin Ranch Boulevard, is moving forward and expected to go out to bid soon. He said the Public Works team, along with our external engineering partners, are doing an excellent job coordinating these efforts. He said the right-turn lane improvements will significantly help reduce congestion and improve traffic flow at several of the city's busiest intersections.

## 4. Highway 95 Center Lane Median South by Target

City Manager Cotter said the center lane medians along Highway 95, particularly the section from Ricardo Avenue to Central Avenue and continuing down into Fort Mohave were originally installed when the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) maintained control of the highway. He said the installation was part of a safety decision made at their engineering level and said the city did not fully support their decision at that time. He said since the city took ownership of the highway, they have consistently heard concerns from local businesses, particularly in the corridor between Target and Fort Mohave, about how the medians have negatively impacted accessibility and business operations. He said in response, the city conducted a focused engineering study on the stretch between Ricardo and Central. He said the findings support removal of the center medians in that area, and staff will bring an item before Council soon to formally request authorization to proceed with their removal. He said this project not only aligns with their assessment of what is best for the corridor, but also responds directly to repeated requests from the majority of business owners along that route. He said staff will evaluate other sections in the near future as part of a broader reassessment of median placements along the highway.

## 5. Skate Park Improvements

City Manager Cotter said he is looking forward to another ribbon cutting at the Skate Park. He said some quarter pipes, half pipes, artificial turf, grass, and a new shade structure are being added at the request of the local skate community. He said he hoped the project would be completed in early July.

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS**

Council Member Newlin said he attended the Elks Flag Day Ceremony last Saturday. He said the ceremony was very interesting and well done. He said he attended the Little Sprouts Farmers Market and said the event was awesome. He encouraged the public to attend their next event on June 26th.

## **ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Council Member Head 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

**NAYS:** None **ABSENT:** None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025 Special Budget Meeting; May 20, 2025 Regular Council Meeting; and June 3, 2025 Special Council Meeting. (City Clerk Ogden)
2. Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 2025R-29, authorizing the abandonment of the westernmost 8-foot public utility easement that lies within the parcel of land described as Parcel L of Chaparral Terrace, Tract 4020, Section 29, T20N, R22W, Bullhead City, AZ. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)
3. Approve the preliminary condominium plat for The Village at Mercado Condominiums, Tract 5036, located on a parcel of land that is described as Tierra Grande, Tract 4023-A, Block 1, Lot 13, Section 19, T20N, R21W, Bullhead City, Arizona, subject to the schedule of development. (Development Services Director Chooniyom)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

## **BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

4. Discussion and possible action to appoint three (3) citizens to serve on the Bullhead City Board of Adjustment for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. There are three applicants and three vacancies. (City Clerk Ogden)

City Clerk Ogden said there are 3 vacancies on the Board of Adjustment and 3 applicants.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if Kristi Foutz was in attendance.

Kristi Foutz said she would like to retain her seat on the Board of Adjustment. She said she has not missed any meetings since her appointment two years ago. She said she researches and visits the properties that are in question.

City Clerk Ogden said applicants Kenya Cribb and Shanon Henry are not in attendance. She said Kenya Cribb currently serves on the Commission and sent an email expressing interest in being reappointed to the Board and said Shanon Henry is a new applicant.

**Commissioner Newlin made a motion to appoint Kenya Cribb, Shanon Henry, and Kristi Foutz to serve on the Bullhead City Board of Adjustment for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. Council Member O'Neill seconded the motion.**

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

## **MOTION CARRIED**

5. Discussion and possible action to appoint two (2) citizens to serve on the Bullhead City Building Board of Appeals to fill partial terms beginning July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2026 or full terms beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. There are two applicants and 5 vacancies. This Board will remain inactive until at least one additional individual is appointed to serve. (City Clerk Ogden)

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the applicants were present.

City Clerk Ogden said Ms. Prince was not able to attend tonight due to a prior engagement. She said Ms. Prince currently serves on the Board and said she did receive an email from Ms. Prince expressing interest in being reappointed to the Board. She said Mr. Albers was not in attendance, and said he currently serves on the Board and expressed interest in being reappointed.

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to appoint Don Albers and Amy Prince to serve full terms on the Building Board of Appeals beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. Council Member Head seconded the motion.**

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

## **MOTION CARRIED**

6. Discussion and possible action to appoint two (2) citizens to serve on the Bullhead City Parks and Recreation Commission for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. There are two applicants and two vacancies. (City Clerk Ogden)

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the applicants were present.

Randolph Sierra said he has lived in Bullhead City for 24 years. He said he supports the fire department and the police department, and said he would like to support Bullhead City's parks.

Kenya Cribb was not in attendance.

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to appoint Kenya Cribb and Randolph Sierra to serve on the Bullhead City Parks and Recreation Commission for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. Council Member Head seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

7. Discussion and possible action to appoint three (3) citizens to serve on the Bullhead City Planning and Zoning Commission for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. There are four applicants and three vacancies.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the applicants were present.

Paul Bartha said he has experience in analyzing government proposals, understanding regulations, and working with diverse stakeholders. He said in his years in working with the federal government within the Air Force and the Army on many projects at the highest security level has prepared him for the responsibilities of this role. He said he is enthusiastic about the opportunity to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission and said it is a way for him to give back to the community and contribute to the planning process in a meaningful way. Council Member Dallman asked Mr. Bartha how long he has lived in Bullhead City. Mr. Bartha said he has lived in Bullhead City for almost four years.

Bart Anderson said he has lived in Bullhead City for 8 years. He said he was running for city council in 2024 but had to pull out of the election because his wife became ill. He said he is currently a member of the Mohave County Posse, and said he volunteers with the Bullhead City Police Department as a deckhand on their river boats. He said he has designed and built several homes, including one in Bullhead City. He said he was a business owner and had common sense and said he believed he had an obligation to serve the community.

Stephen Brown said he has served on the Planning and Zoning Commission for 2 years. He said he was appointed to serve as Vice Chair after his first year, and said he is an active member of the community. He said he was a mechanical contractor and has an in-depth understanding of building plans and an eye for construction and placement of where things need to be in order to flow and have good function in the city.

Mel Stein said he is a resident of Bullhead City and was applying to be reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission. He said he has served on the Commission for over 12 years and said he was the Chairman of the Commission for 8 years. He said he is a former builder and developer and said his best asset for the Commission is his experience. He said he has missed only 3 meetings in the 12 years he has served on the Commission.

City Clerk Ogden passed out voting ballots and tallied the votes. She announced Bart Anderson received 4 votes; Paul Bartha received 4 votes; Stephen Brown received 6 votes; and Mel Stein received 4 votes. City Clerk Ogden said the Council will have to vote again and instructed the Council not to vote for Stephen Brown because he already received the majority of votes.

City Clerk Ogden passed out voting ballots and tallied the votes. She announced Bart Anderson received 6 votes; Paul Bartha received 3 votes; and Mel Stein received 3 votes. She said the Council will have to vote again and instructed the Council to vote for either Paul Bartha or Mel Stein.

City Clerk Ogden passed out voting ballots and tallied the votes. She announced Paul Bartha received 4 votes; and Mel Stein received 2 votes. She said Paul Bartha, Bart Anderson, and Stephen Brown received the majority of votes.

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to appoint Bart Anderson, Stephen Brown, and Paul Bartha to serve on the Bullhead City Planning and Zoning Commission for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2027. Council Member Dallman seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

8. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for a Series 12 (Restaurant) Liquor License Job No. 341607 submitted by Lynette Donna Renios for Big Belly Nelly's Sports Bar and Grill located at 1751 Highway 95 #187, Bullhead City, Arizona. (City Clerk Ogden)

City Manager Cotter said the restaurant is located in the Safeway shopping center and said staff have reviewed the application and have no objections.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the applicant was present. The applicant was not present.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Vice Mayor Alfonzo closed the public hearing.

**Council Member Ring made a motion to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for a Series 12 (Restaurant) Liquor License Job No. 341607 submitted by Lynette Donna Renios for Big Belly Nelly's Sports Bar and Grill located at 1751 Highway 95 #187, Bullhead City, Arizona. Council Member Newlin seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Building, Planning and Zoning Items**

None

**Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases**

9. Discussion and possible action to: 1) approve the "Bullhead City Animal Resource Center Wiring and Security Equipment and Installation (REBID)" with My Alarmtek LLC., in the amount of \$150,000 plus applicable taxes; 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments; and 3) approve the transfer of \$25,000 from general fund contingency. (Human Services Director Tipton)

Human Services Director Tipton said this is a request to approve the agreement with My Alarmtek for wiring and security equipment and installation for the Bullhead City Animal Resource Center in the amount of \$150,000.00 He said the scope of work includes security cameras, indoor and outdoor TV cabling, data ports for all the IT locations, burglar alarm, door contacts and a motion and speaker system throughout. He said staff advertised for bids in early May and opened bids on May 29th. He said they received two bids and My Alarmtek is the lowest bidder. He said this years budget was approved for \$125,000 and said an additional \$25,000 will be needed from contingency. He said this agreement is a key amenity to help complete construction this fall.

Council Member Newlin said he liked seeing this project be awarded to a local company. He said he has used My Alarmtek multiple times and always had good results. He said currently, the city has 2 major construction projects with completion dates this summer. He said he does not expect any delays with the projects, and said it is good to see the completion date is backed up with a liquidated damages clause and schedule.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo said the difference between the highest and lowest bid is \$200,000.00.

**Council Member Head made a motion to approve: 1) approve the "Bullhead City Animal Resource Center Wiring and Security Equipment and Installation (REBID)" with My Alarmtek LLC., in the amount of \$150,000 plus applicable taxes; 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments; and 3) approve the transfer of \$25,000 from general fund contingency. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

10. Discussion and possible action to approve the Master Services Agreement and Purchase Agreement with Axon Enterprises (Q-651379-45791DG/Issued 5/14/2025) for a Body Worn Camera System with AI assisted software in an amount not to exceed \$1,281,067.92, including any applicable taxes over the next five years, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments. (Police Chief Trebes)

City Manager Cotter said this equipment will help police officers write their reports. He said with the time saved in report writing, it will be the equivalent of adding a part time police officer.

Lieutenant Harris said this is a request to renew the Axon Body Camera System with the addition of three new cameras, for a total of 83. He said the new system will now include an audio transcription service and the new AI Draft One report writing feature. He said Draft One is an AI component of the transcription service that allows the system to generate police reports, saving personnel time and allowing officers to be on the street more often. He said the new system will also include a feature called Respond, which allows real time GPS tracking and has camera viewing capabilities when in the recording mode. He played a short video explaining how the system works.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the police reports will be in a draft form so changes can be made to the report. Lieutenant Harris said the report is in a draft form. He said once the officer completes the report, it is visible to a sergeant to insert any changes or amend the documents. He said once all the edits are complete, they sign off the document stating the report is complete and accurate and then a copy of the report will go into the system and their supervisor will read the report, make any necessary amendments, and then approve it.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if anyone from the public would like to speak on this item.

Gary Genovese asked if the reports would be acceptable in a court of law. City Manager Cotter said they believe the documents will be acceptable in a court of law. He said the AI technology is not replacing the officer, it is just technology that is available to help the officer, saves time, and creates an efficient process. He said every officer still must read every report they write and add details. He said anything of any substance will go through a multiple review process. He said the officer must sign off on the document and attest to everything in the document.

Scotty McClure said he believed any of the documents that were written using AI would stand up in court. He said he received a copy of his police report, and it looks just like an officer wrote it. He said he did not see anything wrong with using this technology.

Bart Anderson asked if the current body cameras can use the software. Lieutenant Harris answered affirmative. He said they are currently using their existing cameras with the software. He said they have been testing the software for approximately 3 months. Mr. Anderson asked if the \$1.2million will also upgrade the existing cameras. Lieutenant Harris said the cost includes the cameras, camera warranty, and software. He said under the warranty, Axon will replace the cameras twice throughout

the 5 year period. Mr. Anderson asked how many cameras the police department currently has. Lieutenant Harris said they currently have 83 cameras.

Mike Villalobos asked how the new software will affect citizens who want to obtain copies of police reports or video. He said he submitted a request for video footage of an incident and was told it is going to take approximately 4 months to fill the request. He asked if the new software would speed up the process. Lieutenant Harris said the software will not change redaction time, it will only make report writing faster. He said the system does not redact videos. City Manager Cotter said obtaining a copy of a police report and obtaining copies of body camera footage is a completely different process. He said the software might speed up the written report process, but not the video process.

**Council Member Ring made a motion to approve the Master Services Agreement and Purchase Agreement with Axon Enterprises (Q-651379-45791DG/Issued 5/14/2025) for a Body Worn Camera System with AI assisted software in an amount not to exceed \$1,281,067.92, including any applicable taxes over the next five years, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and issue resulting payments. Council Member Dallman seconded the motion.**

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **Other Business**

11. Discussion and possible action to authorize budget amendments for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$400,000 from general fund to general services contingency to the Utilities Water Department, Pest Abatement, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation. (Finance Director Drexler)

City Manager Cotter said this item could be a consent agenda item, but he wanted full transparency. He offered to answer any questions the Council or public may have.

The Council had no questions.

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

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to authorize budget amendments for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$400,000 from general fund to general services contingency to the Utilities Water Department, Pest Abatement, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation. Council Member O'Neill seconded the motion.**

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

12. Discussion and possible action to approve rescheduling the regularly scheduled City Council meeting from Tuesday, August 19, 2025, to Monday, August 18, 2025, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to allow council members to attend the Arizona League of Cities and Towns Annual Conference. (Assistant City Manager Pruitt)

City Manager Cotter said this request is to change the second meeting in August to Monday instead of Tuesday. He said the Arizona League of Cities and Towns Annual Conference is taking place in Phoenix that week.

**Council Member Newlin made a motion to approve rescheduling the regularly scheduled City Council meeting from Tuesday, August 19, 2025, to Monday, August 18, 2025, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to allow council members to attend the Arizona League of Cities and Towns Annual Conference. Council Member Dallman seconded the motion.**

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

13. Discussion and possible action in regards to the recent Council vacancy to: 1) direct the City Clerk to issue a solicitation for applications of eligible candidates for the Council vacancy; 2) direct the City Clerk to compile the applications for the Council's review; 3) set the regularly scheduled meeting of July 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. for the Council's consideration, and possible appointment of a new council member; and 4) set a tentative date for a special meeting between July 15, 2025, and August 5, 2025, for the seating of the new member and the election of a new mayor. (City Clerk Ogden)

Council Member Newlin asked if the Council is going to interview candidates during the July 15th Council Meeting or are they setting a date. City Manager Cotter said in the past the Council did interviews during a special council meeting. He said the Council could set a date to hold a special council meeting to interview candidates.

Vice Mayor Alfonzo asked if the Council needed to set a date tonight. City Attorney Emery said the Council has a proposed motion and said the only thing that is missing is if they want a special meeting. He said the motion is written that during the July 15th meeting the Council would consider the applications and they can select a new council member and then set a special council meeting after that for the seating of the new council member and elect a new mayor. He said the Council may want to hold a special meeting for the consideration of a new council member. Council Member Newlin suggested they review the applications during the July 15th Council Meeting and decide if they want to hold a special meeting or appoint someone during the meeting.

Council Member Head suggested City Clerk Ogden starts soliciting applications tomorrow with a closing date of June 30th. He said City Clerk Ogden could provide the Council with all the applications during the July 1st Council Meeting. He said at that time they will know how many applications were received and they can then hold a special meeting. He said after the special meeting staff can place an item on the July 15th agenda to appoint the new council member and mayor. City Attorney Emery said they can solicit applications until June 30th and have an update during the July

1st Council Meeting and then put an item for Council to consider appointing a new council member and mayor on the July 15th agenda.

**Council Member Head made a motion directing City Clerk Ogden to solicit for applications with a closing date of June 30th; have a status update during the July 1st Council Meeting; schedule a date to have a special council meeting to interview applicants before the July 15th Council Meeting; and appoint a new council member and mayor during the July 15th Council Meeting. Council Member Newlin seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS**

None

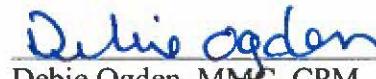
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Vice Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 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 17th day of June 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 26th day of June 2025.

  
Debie Ogden, MMC, CPM  
City Clerk