

TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the July 22, 2014 Work Session

I. CALL TO ORDER *Mayor S. Holt called the meeting to order at 5:01pm*

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Steve Holt

Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner

Council Member Fernando Fernandez

Council Member Armida Gonzalez

Council Member Ron Henry

Council Member Tommy Sikes

Council Member James Turner

All Council Members present

Staff present: Town Manager F. Buss, Town Clerk B. Turner, Finance Director S. Young, Public Works Director (PWD) B. Menard, Planning & Economic Development Director (PEDD) E. Rubi, Parks & Recreation Director (PRD) C. Turner, Deputy Town Clerk C. Eisenberger

III. WORK SESSION (the Council cannot take action on any of these subjects because they are on the agenda for discussion only) **FOR ONE HOUR ONLY 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

A. **Work Session:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss the FY 2014/2015 DRAFT Budget. The Work Session shall start promptly at 5:00 pm and shall end promptly at 6:00 pm. **Discussion Only**

Town Manager F. Buss noted this is discussion only on Draft Budget and spoke about meeting with Council Members R. Henry and A. Gonzalez along with Finance Director S. Young yesterday. He noted that he received no other questions from Council and spoke about meeting the budget deadline. Question and discussion on the Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT) with Finance Director S. Young noting that she has kept the annual TPT totals since 2007 and they have increased each year. Question and discussion on available breakdown of TPT and percentage of tax being retail and summary be provided to Council. Question and discussion on ability to display only local business totals to look at health of Gila Bend retail sales through the sales tax. Question and discussion on generating revenue for public safety and state law on allowable increase on property tax. Discussion on having an item put on the August agenda, to include the League of Arizona Cities and Towns, regarding formation of an EMID. Discussion on EMID's formed on operational costs and not on capital costs. Question and discussion on purchasing new audio system for Council Chambers and not included in budget as Council Meetings will be held at the Gila Bend Unified School Districts Media Center beginning September 9, 2014. No further discussion.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member R. Henry made the motion to adjourn the Work Session. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor C. Turner. No discussion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously: 7-0. Time: 5:58pm.

Steven Holt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Work Session held July 22, 2014 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk