

Valerie Molina Mayor

> Anita Cota Vice Mayor

Gloria Cota Councilmember

Elvira Osuna Councilmember

Joe Sanchez Councilmember

Faustino Valenzuela Councilmember

> Ricardo Vital Councilmember

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## MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GUADALUPE COUNCIL

A public meeting of the Town of Guadalupe Council was held on THURSDAY, June 22 2017, AT 6:00 P.M., at 9241 South Avenida del Yaqui, Guadalupe, Arizona, in the Council Chambers.

- A. CALLTOORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Valarie Molina at 6:05 pm.
- B. ROLL CALL: Councilmember Gloria Cota was absent.
- C. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vice Mayor Anita Cota.
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
  - Minutes of the regular council meeting held June 8, 2017 and special budget meetings held June 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 were reviewed. Vice Mayor Cota made a motion seconded by Councilmember Osuna that the minutes of these minutes be approved with the correction that Councilmember Osuna was in attendance at the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting but arrived late.
- E. CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Mary Bravo suggested sending the street sweeper to pick up garbage that is left on the streets on the days Waste Management picks up garbage in town. Natividad Mendoza presented Gangs to Jobs program which helps individuals to get off drugs and find jobs.
- F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM:
  - 1. Public Hearing: A public hearing was held for the purpose of providing citizens an opportunity to review and discuss the variance requested by G.T.L., LLC (dba The Mint-a medical marijuana dispensary) located at 5210 S. Avenida del Yaqui to establish business hours outside of the existing Town ordinance. The current ordinance requires closing at 6:00 PM. The variance requested is to extend the closing time to 12:00 AM, Monday through Sunday. Those who attended this public hearing were: Briget Bueno, Daniella Matus, Lilianna Abeyta, Mary Bravo, Louie Lujan, William Woodmansee, Alize Cardon, Andrea Sanchez, Angie Perez, Vanessa Bustos, Aaron Molina, Mendoza, and Leticia Alvarez. Mr. Lujan, representing The Mint, reviewed the information that were included in their public statement. Several citizens voiced opposition to the extended hours of operation until midnight and sugested earlier closing times. Councilman Sanchez indicated the business could be a major revenue source for the Town but understands the concerns of those opposed to the later hours. Mayor Molina invited those citizens present to attend other Council meetings to discuss possible sources of revenue for the Town. Dave Ledyard, Town Attorney, explained how the variance process works and after the required public hearing has been held, the Council, sitting as a Board of Adjustments, can make a decision on the request. Vice Mayor Cota made a motion seconded by Councilmember Sanchez to conclude the public hearing.
- **G.** Relative to the variance request of by The Mint-a medical marijuana dispensary-, to extend the business hours to 12 AM from the required 6:00 PM time, Councilmember Sanchez made a motion seconded by Councilmember Vital that no action be taken on this request and the Council meet again on June 29<sup>th</sup> to further review this request after the town attorney has had time to prepare the necessary

paperwork to make a final decision on this matter. Motion carried.

- H. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT: None
- I. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL: Councilmember Osuna noted that June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup> will be movie nights for the public. Vice Mayor Cota expressed appreciation to everyone that helped in painting over graffiti in town. Mary Bravo suggested sending the street sweeper to pick up garbage that is left on the streets on the days Waste Management picks up garbage in town. Mendoza presented Gangs to Jobs program.

I. ADJOURNMENT: Vice Mayor Cota made a motion seconded by Councilmember Osuna that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.