

**MINUTES
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
WORK SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
473 S MAIN STREET, SUITE 106
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.**

Note: Council member(s) may attend Council Sessions either in person or by telephone, video, or internet conferencing.

1. Call to Order

Mayor German called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Charles German, Councilor Robin Whatley, Councilor Dee Jenkins, Councilor Brad Gordon, Councilor Jackie Baker and Councilor Buck Buchanan were present. Vice Mayor Jessie Murdock was absent.

Also Present

Town Manager Russ Martin, Public Works Director Ron Long, Town Clerk Judy Morgan, and Recording Secretary Jennifer Reed.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor German led the Pledge.

Town Manager Russ Martin introduced Hugo Meixueiro from MerIT who is working on the transition of the new phone system at Town Hall.

4. Work Session. No legal action will be taken.

4.1. Discussion on potential uses of the property, including but not limited to a park, transportation/street realignment options, if acquired, at 24 W Finnie Flat Rd/250 S. Main Street, Camp Verde, AZ 86322 (Parcels 404-28-007A and B; location of the former Circle K Store [Staff Resource: Russ Martin]

Town Manager Russ Martin showed the Letter of Intent the Mayor has signed showing the Town's interest in purchasing this property. The two brothers who own the property are in general agreement with the Town's intent. The Town will have to look into the cost of removing the building and the liabilities of the underground structures. There will be a lot more information in a week that will be incorporated into a purchase agreement. The Letter of Intent says they will close (on the sale of real property) in the next 60 days.

Mr. Martin stated this meeting is to discuss ideas of what the Town would want to do with the property. This meeting will send a signal to the public to let them know that reserve funds will be used. The Revenue Report is showing they are about three hundred thousand ahead in revenues, from their projected number this fiscal year. Mr. Martin stated several times that a roundabout is not planned for this property as it wouldn't work for this location.

Public Works Director Ron Long passed out an aerial picture showing the property with proposals for new roadway and driveway locations.

Mr. Long suggested placing a signal at the main intersection, leaving the slip ramp but narrowing it down to one car lane for right-turn traffic and adding a sidewalk for pedestrian and bicycle traffic down to the library.

Mayor German stated a slip ramp is a definite plus for emergency medical services (EMS) because a right turn lane at the light would slow that flow down. Mr. Long stated they would have to change the grade, which would also give the car wash a better flow pattern. Mr. Martin stated that by bringing the roadway level up a retaining wall would no longer be necessary.

Councilor Gordon suggested by bringing everyone up to the light they could see there is a town on Main St.

Council talked about pedestrian/traffic flow and street lighting.

Mr. Long stated the irrigation ditch would stay in the same place, but additional drainage would be necessary.

Councilors talked about the "open spaces" that could possibly be used as additional parking. They also talked about adding a kiosk to give visitors additional information about the area. A fountain could be placed in the open space.

Councilors are encouraged to talk to the public about ideas of what to do with this space.

Mayor German suggested asking the surrounding businesses about what the town could do to help them.

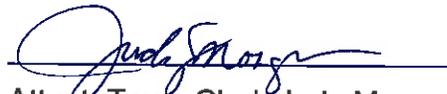
The Council agreed that this proposed map looks like a good start, and they like what was presented as a starting point.

5. Adjournment

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.



Mayor Charles German



Attest: Town Clerk Judy Morgan

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and accurate accounting of the actions of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde during the Work Session of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on April 11, 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 27th day of April, 2018.



Judy Morgan, Town Clerk