



Citizens' Commission on Public Service and Compensation

Legal Action Report

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 4:00 p.m.
Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall, 1st Floor
255 W. Alameda St., Tucson, Arizona

1. Roll Call

The Citizens' Commission on Public Service and Compensation (CCPSC) meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by Yolanda Lozano, Chief Deputy City Clerk.

Upon roll call, those present and absent were:

Present:

Laura Dent
Greg Facey
Jennifer Garcia
Tyson Gillespie
Mark Kimble

Appointor:

City Manager (electronic attendance)
City Manager
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City Manager

Absent:

Gerard Acuna-Schultz
William Morales

City Manager
City Manager

Staff Present:

Mike Rankin
Suzanne Mesich
Yolanda Lozano
Danny Garcia
Jaime Corrales

City Attorney
City Clerk (electronic attendance)
Chief Deputy City Clerk
Management Assistant, City Clerk's Office
Office Manager, City Clerk's Office

2. Opening Remarks and Introductions

Suzanne Mesich, City Clerk, introduced herself followed by staff in attendance.

Members of the CCPSC introduced themselves.

5. Discussion and Direction Relating to Ongoing Role of Citizen's Compensation on Public Service and Compensation; Existing Charter Provisions Relating to Compensation of City's Elected Officials

(This item was taken out of order.)

Mike Rankin, City Attorney, gave a brief overview regarding the memorandum that was sent to the Commissioners dated February 19, 2025, that explains the 2023 CCPSC recommendation and how it affects Mayor and Council salaries moving forward.

Discussion was held.

3. Open Public Meeting Law Requirements

Information was provided by Danny Garcia, Management Assistant, regarding key points components of the Arizona Open Meeting Law.

4. Role and Responsibilities of the Committee

Yolanda Lozano, Chief Deputy City Clerk, provided a brief an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the CCPSC as outlined in the Tucson Charter and in light of the memo from the City Attorney.

No formal action was taken.

5. Discussion and Direction Relating to Ongoing Role of Citizen's Compensation on Public Service and Compensation; Existing Charter Provisions Relating to Compensation of City's Elected Officials

(This item was taken out of order and discussed after Item #2.)

6. Election of Officers

Discussion was held regarding Commissioners' interest in serving as Chair.

It was moved by Commissioner Garcia, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 to 0 (Commissioners Acuna-Schultz and Morales absent), to elect Laura Dent as Chairperson.

7. Review Data and Develop Commission Recommendation

Discussion ensued regarding what the Commission's next steps were.

* Commissioner ~~Trimble~~ **Kimble** stated he did not see a reason for the Commission to continue meeting since the voters had passed the rate increase for Council.

* It was recommended by Commissioner ~~Trimble~~ **Kimble**, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 to 0 (Commissioners Acuna-Schultz and Morales absent), that the Commission not meet in the future unless there was some action by the legislature that changed how the salaries of the Mayor and Council were configured.

Discussion ensued. A meeting was set for March 5, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. to formulate the recommendation for Mayor and Council.

Mr. Rankin stated he would put together some talking points to assist the Commission with their recommendation.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

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