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NOTICE OF POSSIBLE QUORUM OF THE CITY OF BUCKEYE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OR OTHER COUNCIL APPOINTED BOARD: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE MAY BE A QUORUM PRESENT BUT THERE WILL BE NO VOTING TAKING PLACE BY THE CITY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OR OTHER COUNCIL APPOINTED BOARD AT THIS MEETING.

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2025
AGENDA**

**City Council Chambers
530 E. Monroe Ave.
Buckeye, AZ 85326
6:00 p.m.**

The doors will be open to the public at least 15 minutes prior to the start time of the meeting.

REVISED AGENDA: This agenda has been revised. Item *4.I has been updated to add the removal of a Member from the Community Services Advisory Board and the deletion of text related to the removal of another Member of the Community Services Advisory Board. Revised and reposted December 1, 2025 at 3:30 p.m.

Accessibility for all persons with disabilities will be provided upon request. Please telephone your accommodation request (623) 349-6911, 72 hours in advance if you need a sign language interpreter or alternate materials for a visual or hearing impairment.

Voting Members will either attend in person or by telephone conference call or video presentation. Items listed may be considered in any order.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) the Council may, by majority vote, recess or adjourn to executive session at one or more times during the meeting, as needed to confer with the City Attorney for legal advice regarding any item listed on this agenda.

- 1. Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**
- 2. Comments from the Public-** Members of the audience may comment on any non-agenda item of interest.
- 3. Awards/Presentations/Proclamations**
 - 3.A** Sounds of Autism will present Mayor and Council with a Unified Responder Community Award
 - 3.B** Mayor Orsborn to proclaim the month of December as Unified Responder Community Month in the City of Buckeye.
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS / NEW BUSINESS**

Approval of items on the Consent Agenda - All items with an (*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion and vote of the City Council. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests. This section may include the approval of Minutes from previous meetings.

- *4.A** Council to take action on Resolution No. 96-25 approving the Regional Signal Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Buckeye, an Arizona municipal corporation and Buckeye Phase I Owner, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and further authorizing the transfer of funds from the Contingencies account to the Completed Capital account to fund the reimbursement for approved regional signal construction costs.

Summary: Council approval is requested on Resolution No. 96-25 approving the Regional Signal Reimbursement Agreement (Perryville Road and McDowell Road) between the City of Buckeye and Buckeye Phase I Owner to provide a regional signal construction reimbursement of \$890,021.22 to Buckeye Phase I Owner, LLC for the construction of the regional traffic signal at the intersection of Perryville and McDowell Roads. Additionally, Council authorization for the transfer of funds from the Contingencies account to the Completed Capital account in the amount of \$890,021.22 to fund the reimbursement of approved signal construction costs is also required. Staff Liaison: Ron Moll, City Engineer, rmoll@buckeyeaz.gov, (480) 997-1702

- *4.B** Council to take action on Ordinance No. 30-25 approving the transfer of certain rights-of-way and roadways generally located along Watkins Street from the east right of way of South Miller Road, east approximately 625 feet.

Summary: The purpose of this request is to annex from Maricopa County's jurisdiction a segment of Watkins Street, lying east of Miller Road. This will allow development to complete the required roadway and infrastructure improvements. A.R.S. Section 9-471(O) allows for an abbreviated annexation procedure by mutual consent of the governing bodies of the county and a municipality if the property transferred is adjacent to the receiving city or town and if each governing body approves the proposed transfer as a published agenda item at a regular public meeting of their governing bodies.

Staff Liaison: Ron Moll, City Engineer, rmoll@buckeyeaz.gov, (480) 997-1702

- *4.C** Council to take action to ratify and approve the submission of a Grant Application in the amount of \$491,003, with a City of Buckeye match in the amount of \$27,683, for the Federal Fiscal Year 2026 Closeout Funding Grant opportunity through the Maricopa Association of Governments to support the Miller Road-Monroe Avenue Intelligent Transportation System Capital Improvement Program: Project Number 101760; and authorize and direct the Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk to carry out the purpose and intent of said Grant Application.

Summary: The City seeks to improve roadway safety within Buckeye through a grant application, which requests funding to support the installation of a conduit duct bank on the west side of Miller Road between Monroe Avenue and Lower Buckeye Road, where conduit does not currently exist. The project also supports the installation of splice vaults every half mile with a single-mode fiber optic cable running to the traffic signal controller. The project has an updated construction cost, which is approximately \$519,000 over the original Capital Improvement Program-funded estimate. If awarded, this grant will relieve the City from the need to identify additional funding to cover increased construction costs.

Staff Liaison: Rob Roach, Grant Program and Procurement Manager, rroach@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6165

- *4.D** Council to take action on the transfer of \$702,000 and authorize the associated fund reallocation from Contingency Appropriations 30531108-570020 fund to Automotive Equipment greater than \$5,000 - 10002140-541050 fund, for the purchase of fire apparatus equipment for two Sutphen Pumper fire trucks; and approve the funds transfer from Impact Fees-Streets 6004-101010 fund, to Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF).

Summary: The Fire Department needs to initiate procurement of new fire apparatus equipment to be placed on two new fire trucks that were previously approved by Council. The two new fire trucks are scheduled for delivery in March 2026. Due to ongoing supply chain delays and long lead times, early purchase authorization is essential to avoid project delays. This is to ensure fire and emergency services have the necessary resources to maintain rapid and reliable response times by utilizing existing appropriations and alternative funding sources to minimize General Fund impact. This advanced procurement will avoid delays caused by supply chain lead times and ensure timely deployment of apparatus to support the City's ability to respond effectively to emergencies as the community continues to grow. The funds to purchase the fire apparatus equipment will be transferred from Contingency Appropriations 30531108-570020 fund to the Automotive Equipment greater than \$5,000 - 10002140-541050 fund by way of using General Funds that otherwise would have been used for Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF), which can be funded by Impact Fees-Streets 6004-101010 fund, which is available and has been dormant for several years awaiting allocation. These fund transfers will facilitate the timely procurement and placement of the apparatus into service while also using General Funds efficiently.
Staff Liaison: Rob Roach, Grant Program and Procurement Manager, roach@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6165

- *4.E** Council to take action on the City's grant of a utility easement, as set forth in the Utility Easement Agreement, between the City of Buckeye, an Arizona municipal corporation, and Arizona Public Service Company ("APS"), an Arizona corporation; and authorize the City Manager to execute and deliver said Utility Easement Agreement on behalf of the City upon the Maricopa County Superior Court's entry of the Final Order of Condemnation in *City of Buckeye v. Dusty Cool Ltd. Partnership*, case number 2025-023201.

Summary: This Utility Easement Agreement is a requirement for the construction and maintenance of electrical services related to Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project No. 105660 Rooks Road Bridge at Buckeye Irrigation District (BID). This Utility Easement Agreement is necessary for the construction and operation of the future Rooks Road Bridge.
Staff Liaison: James Zwerg, Project Manager, jzwerg@buckeyeaz.gov, (602) 558-2076

- *4.F** Council to take action on the acceptance of a Special Warranty Deed from Copper Falls Buckeye 72 Acres LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, conveying real property to the City of Buckeye for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project No. 100720 – Westpark Fire Station #706; and authorize the City Manager to execute and deliver all necessary documents on behalf of the City of Buckeye.

Summary: This item seeks Council approval to accept a Special Warranty Deed from Copper Falls Buckeye 72 Acres LLC for real property required to construct CIP Project No. 100720 – Westpark Fire Station. The property includes approximately 131,216 square feet (3.012 acres). Acceptance of this deed allows the City to move forward with the planning, design, and construction phases of the project.

Staff Liaison: James Zwerg, Project Manager, jzwerg@buckeyeaz.gov, (602) 558-2076

- *4.G** Council to take action on Delivery Order No. 1 to Job Order Contract (JOC) No. 2025089

between the City of Buckeye, an Arizona municipal corporation, and S.D. Crane Builders, Inc., an Arizona corporation, to perform construction of landscaping, irrigation, and median aesthetic improvements along Verrado Way and Roosevelt Road as part of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project No. 107930 – Gateway Enhancement Program – Verrado; and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents related to said Delivery Order on behalf of the City of Buckeye.

Summary: This Delivery Order seeks approval for S.D. Crane Builders, Inc. to perform median improvements under the City's standing Job Order Contract (JOC No. 2025089). The scope of work includes landscaping, irrigation, and aesthetic enhancements for the medians along Verrado Way north of Roosevelt Road to the I-10 Eastbound on-ramp and Roosevelt Road medians from Verrado Way west to 215th Avenue. The total cost of this contract shall not exceed \$1,415,503.90 with \$1,307,043.35 in contract value and \$108,460.55 in contingency. Staff Liaison: James Zwerg, Project Manager, jzwerg@buckeyeaz.gov (602) 558-2076

- *4.H** Council to take action on the Cooperative Contract Purchase Addendum (CCPA) (Contract No. 32600096) between the City of Buckeye, an Arizona municipal corporation, and OMJC Signal, an Iowa corporation, for the purchase of one pair of 25 foot wireless traffic control systems and two 25 foot portable solar powered traffic signals; and authorize the City Manager to execute and deliver said CCPA on behalf of the City of Buckeye.

Summary: Fleet Management is seeking approval to purchase on behalf of Streets Department one 25 foot temporary traffic control system and two 25 foot portable solar power traffic signal systems. The purchase of these portable traffic signals includes improved safety for workers and drivers by reducing congestion. The systems are very flexible for short-term needs, quick deployment and removal, which minimizes disruption and can be cost-effective. Staff Liaison: Amy Murray, Public Works Director, amurray@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6835

- *4.I** Council to take action on the removal of Tyrus Davidson as a Regular Member of the Buckeye Pollution Control Corporation, the removal of Nathan Madden and Matthew Dudley as Regular Members of the Community Services Advisory Board, the reappointment of Howard Rubin as a Regular Member of the Public Safety Retirement Board (Fire) with a term expiration date of December 2029, the removal of Adam Lewis and David Frost as Regular Members of the Public Safety Retirement Board (Police), the appointment of Howard Rubin and William Reynolds as Regular Members of the Public Safety Retirement Board (Police) with a term expiration date of December 2029, the reappointment of Tedy Burton (at-large) as a Regular Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, the reappointment of Charles Hester (at-large) and Jennie Ragsdale (District 2) as Alternate Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term expiration date of December 2029, and the removal of Ryan Belshee (District 2) as an Alternate Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Summary: The City encourages community involvement in our programs through our boards and commissions. Several Board and Commission members have completed their first term and are eligible for an additional term. Reappointments have been recommended for eligible members. Removals have been recommended for members that have resigned or are ineligible for reappointment because they have served two consecutive terms as regular members, they do not wish to serve another term, or they are no longer attending meetings. New members are appointed as vacancies occur and applications demonstrating eligibility are received and reviewed by Council and staff. Members are appointed and serve at the pleasure of Council. Staff Liaison: Summer Stewart, Deputy City Clerk, sstewart@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6914

- *4.J** [Council to take action on the October 21, 2025 Council Workshop Minutes, October 21, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, November 4, 2025 Special Council Meeting and Council Executive Session Minutes, and November 4, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.](#)

Summary: Minutes of all Council meetings are drafted in accordance with Arizona's Open Meeting Law, are reviewed and approved by Council at a future meeting, and then filed with the City's permanent records. All approved meeting minutes are posted on the City's website and maintained in the Office of the City Clerk.

Staff Liaison: Summer Stewart, Deputy City Clerk, [sstewart@buckeyeaz.gov](mailto:ss Stewart@buckeyeaz.gov), (623) 349-6914

5. Public Hearings / Non-Consent - New Business

- 5.A** [Council to take action on the Transit Master Plan Update.](#)

Summary: The current City of Buckeye Transit Master Plan was completed by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) in November 2016. A City Council Action Item was to update the Transit Master Plan to address concerns from residents. The goal was to study whether Buckeye needs public transit, what options make sense, and how much they would cost. The study looked at Buckeye's growth, land use, and population trends, and included input from residents, workers, and community partners. It outlines practical recommendations and a step-by-step plan for how to move forward, including costs, staffing, funding sources, and timelines.

Staff Liaison: John Willett, Deputy Director of Transportation, jwillett@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6282

- 5.B** [Council to take action on the nomination and appointment of a Vice Mayor for a one-year term beginning December 2, 2025.](#)

Summary: The City Code of Ordinances, Section 2-2-2 - Vice Mayor, requires the council to annually elect a vice mayor, by motion, at the first regular meeting in December of each year unless the council deems it appropriate to move the election of the vice mayor to another meeting. The vice mayor shall be elected by majority vote of the members of council present at the election meeting. In the absence or disability of the mayor, the vice mayor shall serve as acting mayor and shall have all the powers, duties and responsibilities of the mayor during such absence or disability.

Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk, laja@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6911

6. Comments from the Mayor and Council

Mayor and Council may present a brief summary of current events and/or report on any of the Boards and Commissions and other organizations as necessary. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take any legal action on information presented. Council may direct inquiries to staff.

7. City Manager's Report and Summary of Current Events

8. Proposals for Future Agenda Items

The Mayor or three Council Members may propose items for inclusion in a future agenda. Council shall not discuss the merit or substance of any proposed item: discussion and action shall be limited to whether or not the item shall be included in a future agenda.

9. Adjournment