

**DRAFT**  
**MINUTES**  
**JOINT ORO VALLEY/MARANA TOWN COUNCIL**  
**STUDY SESSION**  
**JANUARY 11, 2018**  
**HILTON EL CONQUISTADOR RESORT**  
**10000 N. ORACLE ROAD**  
**JOSHUA TREE ROOM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hiremath called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

Mayor Hiremath re-organized the agenda as follows: Welcome/Lunch will be first with the remaining items following in order.

**ROLL CALL**

Oro Valley  
Present: Satish Hiremath, Mayor  
Lou Waters, Vice Mayor  
Joe Hornat, Councilmember  
Rhonda Piña, Councilmember  
Bill Rodman, Councilmember  
Mary Snider, Councilmember  
Steve Solomon, Councilmember

Marana  
Present: Ed Honea, Mayor  
Jon Post, Vice Mayor  
Dave Bowen, Councilmember  
Herb Kai, Councilmember  
Roxanne Ziegler, Councilmember

Absent: Patti Comerford, Councilmember  
Carol McGorray, Councilmember

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Hiremath led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mayor Hiremath and seconded by Councilmember Snider to approve the agenda as posted.

**MOTION** carried unanimously.

## **JOINT STUDY SESSION AGENDA**

### **1. INTRODUCTIONS**

Mayor Hiremath and Mayor Honea welcomed everyone to the Oro Valley/Marana joint study session and spoke about the great relationship and commonalities between the Marana and Oro Valley communities.

Mayor Hiremath asked that each meeting participant introduce themselves before moving on to the presentations.

### **2. PRESENTATION, UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE TANGERINE ROAD/LA CHOLLA BLVD. PROJECTS**

Town of Marana, Town Engineer Keith Brann and Town of Oro Valley Community Development and Public Works Director Paul Keesler presented item #2 and outlined the following:

- RTA Partnership Projects
- Tangerine Road RTA Ballot Project #1, periods 2,3,4
- La Cholla Blvd RTA Ballot project #4, periods 2,4

Mr. Brann presented the following information on the Tangerine Road Project:

- Tangerine Road Project Overview
- Tangerine Road Enhancements
- Tangerine Road Status

Discussion ensued amongst Councils and staff regarding item #2.

Mr. Keesler presented the following information on the La Cholla Boulevard Project:

- Phase 1 – Pima County Lead
- Phase 2 – Oro Valley Lead
- Phase 2 – Overview
- Project Schedule
- Public Information

Discussion continued amongst Councils and staff regarding item #2.

Mr. Brann suggested that a joint ribbon cutting for the Tangerine Road Project be held by the Town of Marana and the Town of Oro Valley sometime in early Fall 2018.

### **3. PRESENTATION, UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF ORO VALLEY AND MARANA**

Marana Economic Development & Tourism Director Curt Woody and Oro Valley Assistant Town Manager Chris Cornelison presented item #3 and outlined the following:

- Economic Development Activity – Marana
- Economic Development Activity – Oro Valley
- Partnership Opportunities

Both Mr. Woody and Mr. Cornelison highlighted each community's unique strengths and shared similarities and emphasized the need to identify future partnership opportunities to further strengthen the northwest region's economic development.

Discussion ensued amongst Councils and staff regarding economic development and tourism.

A suggestion was made by the Councils that staff work together to expand current marketing tools in order to showcase recreation and dining establishments in both communities.

Discussion continued amongst Councils and staff regarding economic development and tourism.

#### **4. DISCUSSION OF CURRENT AND UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

Marana Assistant to the Town Manager Tony Hunter and Oro Valley Assistant Town Manager Chris Cornelison reported to the Councils that they would be working with the Arizona League of Cities and Towns actively monitoring bills that would adversely impact municipalities such as Construction Sales Tax, Community Facilities Districts and Transaction Privilege Tax.

Discussion ensued amongst Councils and staff regarding current and upcoming legislative issues.

Closing remarks were made by various Council and staff members.

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Oro Valley Vice Mayor Waters to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 p.m., seconded by Marana Councilmember Bowen.

**MOTION** carried unanimously

Prepared by:

---

Michelle Stine, CMC  
Deputy Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the joint study session of the Town of Marana and the Town of Oro Valley held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018

---

Michelle Stine, CMC  
Deputy Town Clerk

DRAFT