

MARICOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE BOOK

INFORMAL SESSION
March 24, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Phoenix, Arizona, convened in Formal Session at 10:00 a.m., March 24, 2008, in the Board of Supervisors Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, 10th floor, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Andrew Kunasek, Chairman, District 3; Max W. Wilson, Vice Chairman, District 4; Fulton Brock, District 1 and Don Stapley, District 2. Absent: Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Liz Evans, Minutes Coordinator; David Smith, County Manager and Victoria Mangiapane, Deputy County Attorney. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: aye-nay-absent-abstain.

1. MARICOPA COUNTY FISCAL STATUS

Item: Presentation on the current Maricopa County fiscal status. (C4908025803)

Chris Bradley, Deputy Budget Director
Brian Hushek, Deputy Budget Director
LeeAnn Bohn, Deputy Budget Director

Chris Bradley reported that the presentation is intended to provide a brief update to the Board regarding the current fiscal status and revised revenue forecasts. He showed a series of graphs depicting actual revenues and what was budgeted for FY 2007 versus FY 2008. Mr. Bradley maintained that February data is significant because it reflects the December sales activity, however revenues reflected more of a downturn than had been hoped.

Mr. Bradley explained that contracting is down 24 percent when compared to December 2007. Restaurant and bar sales are down 11.8 percent and retail sales are down 3.8 percent over last year. This year's County budget assumed only three percent growth but is still 1.6 percent under last year. State shared sales tax revenues are \$15.5 million below budget. Vehicle license tax, which was budgeted at zero percent growth, is \$1.6 million under budget year-to-date. The jail excise tax, which is only collected in Maricopa County, tracks fairly closely with the state shared sales tax and is 8.7 percent below last year in February.

Mr. Bradley stated that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is currently securing agreements with elected officials regarding budget reduction options. Supervisor Wilson commented that cost estimates for the Court Tower appear to be high and he asked for a breakdown to evaluate the possibility of delaying the project. Supervisor Stapley concurred that everything possible needs to be done to reduce construction related costs.

2. MARICOPA COUNTY CRIME PREVENTION PLAN

Item: Update on the status of the Maricopa County Crime Prevention Plan. The Plan involves a three-pronged approach to:

- Reduce the recidivism and return to jail and prison of adult offenders in Phoenix's South Mountain neighborhoods with some of the highest concentration of offenders in the state
- Reduce the delinquency and referrals to juvenile court of at-risk youth in these same Phoenix neighborhoods and
- Develop the data collection, analytical capacity and technical expertise to assist these neighborhoods, and eventually neighborhoods throughout the county, to develop,

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evaluate and sustain the most effective, evidence-based strategies to reduce crime and delinquency (C4208014M00)

David Smith, County Manager
Peter Ozanne, Assistant County Manager, Justice System Planning & Information
Prof. Charles Katz, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University

Peter Ozanne introduced Associate Professor Charles Katz from ASU. He explained that the purpose of the presentation was to give an overview of the Crime Prevention Plan. The plan is:

- A three-part integrated plan
- Community-based
- Focused, with data-driven interventions
- Collaborative and comprehensive
- Evidence-based
- Designed to produce measurable results

The first part of the plan is a County-State community-corrections partnership that will:

- Coordinate State parole and County probation strategies to prevent crime and reduce jail and prison commitments
- Focus on zip code 85041 in the South Mountain area
- Partner with the Council of State Governments Justice Center, the Pew Public Safety Performance Project, and Arizona State University

Mr. Ozanne explained that some partners would contribute funding. Supervisor Wilson asked whether that was the only funding for this project. Mr. Ozanne replied that they would be utilizing existing resources for the first phase of this project. He continued outlining the plan, as follows:

- Cross-train parole officers in evidence-based risk and needs assessment and supervision practices
- Assess the risks and needs of offenders in the 85041 zip code and identify appropriate correctional services to avoid committing crimes and jail time
- Engage county, state and city agencies and community organizations in the delivery of these services
- Measure reductions in crime and recidivism in the 85041 zip code
- Involve participation by state and local governments and the community

The second part of the plan involves community-based strategies for at-risk youth and their families, including:

- A systematic process to design, implement and evaluate prevention strategies to reduce the recidivism of juvenile offenders and reduce court commitments of at-risk youth
- A focus on the 85041 zip code and adjacent neighborhoods
- Holding community forums with interested citizens about problems and solutions
- Assessing the community's strengths and needs
- Identifying gaps in programs and services, issuing RFPs and awarding contracts

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Mr. Ozanne explained that the third and final part of the plan will be to create a Community Crime Analysis and Prevention Center in partnership with ASU. The Center will be a source for data collection and analysis, technical assistance to local governments and communities throughout the County, and support to County policymakers. In addition to collecting and analyzing data on crime, delinquency and related conditions, the center will analyze national research on evidence-based crime prevention strategies and issue regular reports on local trends and developments in crime prevention.

Supervisor Stapley requested that the center analyze data from the Arizona Meth Project to verify whether the project is producing results that are reasonable.

Regarding the Community Crime Analysis Center, Professor Katz said that it should focus on diagnosing crime and the ability to respond to crime and by being more proactive versus reactive. Discussion ensued regarding the contributors to crime such as drug use and gang activity. Mr. Smith said that he sees this as an opportunity to mobilize resources. He said that a culture change needs to take place that focuses on family, employment and success rather than gangs, drugs and money.

3. REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #509 VOUCHERS/WARRANTS

Item: The Board of Supervisors, pursuant to its authority granted in A.R.S. §15-1001, will consider for approval vouchers presented by the County School Superintendent of Maricopa County to draw warrants on the County Treasurer against Maricopa County Regional School District #509 School District funds for necessary expenses against the school district and obligations incurred for value received in services (except for payroll vouchers) as shown in the Vouchers. (ADM3814-003)

The Board of Supervisors may consider ratifying any Maricopa County Regional School District #509 vouchers and/or warrants (except for payroll vouchers) approved in accordance with the procedures of A.R.S. §15-321 since the last meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors may hear staff reports on the vouchers and warrants being considered. The Vouchers are on file in the Maricopa County's Clerk of the Board's office and are retained in accordance with ASLAPR approved retention schedule. (ADM3814-003)

Motion was made by Supervisor Stapley, seconded by Supervisor Brock, and unanimously carried (4-0-1) regarding action on the following voucher:

Ratify Voucher No. 7028 \$35,619.42

Staff did not update the Board of Supervisors on regional schools operations and finances. (ADM3814-005)

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Supervisor Stapley, seconded by Supervisor Wilson, and unanimously carried (4-0-1) to recess and reconvene in Executive Session in the Tom Sullivan Conference Room to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda, pursuant to listed statutory authority, as follows.

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

E-1. Qwest v. Arizona Department of Revenue, Maricopa County, et al, TX2001-000662

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Keith Russell, County Assessor
Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager – **did not attend**
Brian Hushek, Deputy Budget Director
Leo Beus, Outside Counsel
Jerry Fries, Outside Counsel
Kenneth Love, Assistant Attorney General
Anthony Vitagliano, Assistant Attorney General
Jean Rice, Deputy County Attorney

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

E-2. Self-Insured Trust Issues related to the Phoenix New Times NOC vs. Sheriff Arpaio, Dennis Wilenchik, and Andrew Thomas

William Jones, Outside Counsel
Tim Casey, Outside Counsel
James Brophy, III, Outside Counsel
David Hendershott, Chief, Sheriff's Office
Jack MacIntyre, Sheriff's Office
Peter Crowley, Risk Manager
Anne Longo, Deputy County Attorney

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

E-3. Luke Air Force Base Aux – 1 Restrictions

Joy Rich, Assistant County Manager
Chuck Kelhoffer, Outside Counsel
Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney
Chiefs of Staff Lotto, Candland, Bloom, Isham

LEGAL ADVICE; CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)

E-4. Waste Tire Recycling Agreement

William Thornton, Director, Solid Waste
Wes Baysinger, Director, Materials Management
Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney

MEETING ADJOURNED

At the conclusion of discussion on the above items and there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Andrew Kunasek, Chairman of the Board

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board