

Minutes Formal City Council Meeting January 8, 2009

Minutes of the Formal Council Meeting of Thursday, January 8, 2009, held at 7:30 p.m. in the Harry E. Mitchell Government Center, Municipal Building, City Council Chambers, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Hugh Hallman
Vice Mayor Shana Ellis
Councilmember P Ben Arredondo
Councilmember Mark W. Mitchell
Councilmember Joel Navarro
Councilmember Onnie Shekerjian
Councilmember Corey D. Woods

Mayor Hallman called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

1. Councilmember Navarro gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Hallman led the audience in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
3. **MINUTES**

A. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Woods to approve the following **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**.
Second by Councilmember Navarro. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

1. Council's Executive Session – November 24 & December 11, 2008
2. Council's Issue Review Session – December 11, 2008 [20090108clrkck02.pdf](#)
3. Council's Formal Meeting – December 11, 2008 [20090108ckrkck03.pdf](#)
4. Council's Budget Workshop – December 1, 2008 [20090108clrkck01.pdf](#)
5. Council's Community Sustainability Committee – December 10, 2008 [20090108cs01.pdf](#)
- 5a. Council's Housing Committee – December 16, 2008 [20090108hc01.pdf](#)
6. Council's Technology, Economic & Community Development Committee –
November 4, 2008 [20090108tecd01.pdf](#)

B. Acceptance of Board & Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Woods to accept the following **COMMITTEE & BOARD MEETING MINUTES**. Second by Councilmember Navarro. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

7. Aviation Commission – November 12, 2008 [20090108tavco01.pdf](#)
8. Commission on Disability Concerns – December 4, 2008 [20090108cdc01.pdf](#)

9. Committee for Youth, Families & Community – November 17, 2008 [20090108cyfc01.pdf](#)
10. Community Special Events Task Force – December 16, 2008 [20090108seff01.pdf](#)
11. Development Review Commission – October 28, November 18 & December 9, 2008
[20090108drc01.pdf](#) [20090108drc02.pdf](#) [20090108drc03.pdf](#)
12. Enhanced Services Commission – November 12, 2008 [20090108esc01.pdf](#)
13. Golf Committee – September 3, 2008 [20090108gc01.pdf](#)
14. Hearing Officer – November 18 & December 2, 2008 [20090108ho01.pdf](#)
[20090108ho02.pdf](#)
15. Historic Preservation Commission – November 13, 2008 [20090108hpc01.pdf](#)
16. Human Relations Commission – November 3, 2008 [20090108hrc01.pdf](#)
17. Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission – December 2, 2008 [20090108myac01.pdf](#)
18. Municipal Arts Commission – November 12, 2008 [20090108mac01.pdf](#)
19. Neighborhood Advisory Commission – October 1 & November 5, 2008
[20090108nac01.pdf](#) [20090108nac02.pdf](#)

4. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Mayor's Announcements

- a. Mayor Hallman stated that America's men and women in uniform set the standard of courage and dedication in our community. Our public safety members and our veterans daily place their fellow citizens and their country before themselves. Along with his Council colleagues, he recognized the accomplishments of those veterans who currently also serve as City of Tempe employees. One of those employees is **Francine Arellanes** who recently returned from a year of active duty in the US Navy stationed at the Bagram Air Field in Bagram, Afghanistan. Police Chief Tom Ryff introduced Officer Arellanes who has been a Tempe police officer since April of 2006. For the past 19 years, she has been a member of the US Navy where she spent 13 years on active duty and 6 years in the Navy Reserves as an Intelligence Specialist/Petty Officer 1st Class certified in both Surface Warfare and Air Warfare. Officer Arellanes brought back a very special gift for her fellow Tempe Police Employees—a US Flag which flew over the Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan. This flag symbolizes not only her commitment to our country and our community, but honors the selfless sacrifice that each of our City's veterans has made or is currently making to ensure our freedom and democracy remain strong. He thanked her for her patriotism and service, and also recognized and thanked all of the City of Tempe employees who serve dual duty as public servants both for the City and for the United States military. Officer Arellanes stated that while overseas, she had many opportunities to reflect upon the mission that her fellow police brothers and sisters carry out on a daily basis. To honor them and symbolize their commitment to serving and protecting this community, she arranged for a military flag detail to fly our country's flag over the Bagram Air Field on July 4, 2008. She read a certificate that tells the story of the flag and presented the flag to Chief Ryff, the Tempe Police Department, and the City of Tempe as a token of her appreciation for their support.
- b. Mayor Hallman stated that the Tempe Sister Cities began in 1971 and now includes seven sister cities: Skopje, Macedonia; Regensburg, Germany; Lower Hutt, New Zealand; Zhenjiang, China; Beaulieu Sur Mer, France; Carlow, Ireland; and Timbuktu, Mali. He welcomed the Lower Hutt, New Zealand, teachers that have participated in the Sister Cities' Professional Educator Exchange. The program is designed to enhance teaching skills by learning new classroom methodology through observation, a dialogue about country and culture, and the promotion of friendship. He introduced the visiting teachers and their Tempe hosts: **Joan Madsen** from Thew

Elementary School and her guest, **Sue Kinnear**; **Meghan Haslan** from Getz Elementary School and her guest, **Leanna Baker**; and **Mary Tomaszewski**, math teacher from Desert Vista High School, and her guest, **Rosalie Carman**.

B. Manager's Announcements – None.

5. AGENDA

All items in these minutes identified with an asterisk (*) are **public hearing items**. All items listed on the agenda are approved with one council action. Items scheduled for Introduction/First Public Hearing will be heard but not adopted at this meeting. Items scheduled for Second Public Hearing/Final Adoption will be voted upon at this meeting.

Mayor Hallman announced consideration of the **AGENDA**.

City Manager Charlie Meyer referenced Items #48, #49 and #50. The three Employee Groups have agreed in effect to give up a raise in January, 2009, in recognition of the City's financial condition. He acknowledged the employees and the leaders of those employee organizations in stepping up to the plate.

Mayor Hallman added that the City of Tempe entered into contracts a year ago and those contracts had in them automatic increases in salaries based on a market study. This could not be done unilaterally because there is a matter of contract. In the current economic downturn, one of the ways to balance our budget and, more importantly, seek to preserve jobs so we don't have to eliminate positions that have people currently occupying them, was to go back to the groups that represent our employees and asked them to agree to a freeze of wages. The three groups for which an increase would have taken place all overwhelmingly agreed. Those groups are the SEIU Local 5, TSA (Tempe Supervisors Association), and the Firefighters Unit. This freeze of wages has allowed the preservation of jobs for employees. The Council is extraordinarily grateful that they would take up the challenge to help balance the budget and agree to a wage freeze. We are continuing to work to balance our budget and have seen some dramatic efforts, even when it may not be large numbers.

Councilmember Navarro referenced Item #30 and asked about the entrance shown on the design and whether the stair entrances would be accessible through security.

City Manager Meyer responded that the current layout allows access directly from the plaza into the elevator. The intent would be to block that direct access and make the access indirect. People could come in through what are now the side doors and come past through the security station to get to the elevator.

Mayor Hallman clarified that the question is about the entrance on the northwest side, which is currently only accessible with a badge key card. Does it leave an open issue concerning the security and/or is that door going to remain secured and only accessible with an appropriate device.

City Engineer Andy Goh responded that the intent is to switch the entrance to the first floor so that the public entry will be closer to Fifth Street.

Councilmember Navarro asked if the stairwell will be accessible by bypassing security.

Mr. Goh responded the stairwell will have a locking system installed so one will not be able to go in, but will be able to come out.

Mr. Meyer added that they would be controlled by access card.

Motion by Councilmember Mitchell to approve the Agenda as amended (Items #22 and #29 were removed for separate consideration). Second by Councilmember Arredondo. Motion passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

A. Miscellaneous Items

20. Approved **Contract #2006-160C**, second addendum to the Hayden Ferry Lakeside Hotel Parcel Development Agreement to amend the Schedule of Performance.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108cdcm02.pdf](#) **RIO SALADO MASTER PLAN (0112-07-03)**
21. Approved **Contract #2009-01**, a five-year agreement with two three-year options with Childsplay, Inc., for use of portions of the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) for the purpose of presentation of theatrical performances and programs for young audiences and other events.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108csar01.pdf](#) **TEMPE ARTS CENTER (0109-19)**
22. **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.**
Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute **Contract 2003-128A**, an amendment to an Agreement between the Ladmo Branch of the Boys and Girls Club of the East Valley and the City of Tempe to close the Westside Multi-Generational Center on Sundays.
COMMENTS: Amendment to Agreement C2003-128 to allow the Ladmo Branch of the Boys and Girls Club of the East Valley, who operate and manage the Westside Multi-generational Center, to close the facility on Sundays. The club does not operate any other facilities on Sundays.

Councilmember Woods declared a conflict of interest because he serves on the Boys and Girls Club Ladmo Branch Board of Directors.

Motion by Councilmember Arredondo to approve Item #22. Second by Vice Mayor Ellis. Motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0, with Councilmember Woods abstaining.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108prtd01.pdf](#) **COMMUNITY SERVICE ADM (0701-01)**

23. Approved the execution of **Contract #2004-112E**, an assignment letter for Ironman Arizona Triathlon, which event has been sold to the World Triathlon Corporation (WTC).
COMMENTS: North America Sports, Inc., (NAS) has executed an agreement where it has sold the company events to the World Triathlon Corporation (WTC).
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108prtd02.pdf](#) **SPORTS ADMINISTRATION/POLICIES (0105-01-07)**
24. Approved **Contract #2007-172B**, an amendment to the Maintenance Agreement with The Pier at Town Lake (C2007-172A).
COMMENTS: The developer of The Pier at Town Lake requested the City to allow enhanced pavement, lighting, landscaping and other amenities for this project. The amendment

will document the developer's agreement to pay for the higher level of maintenance that will be required for the proposed enhancements.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWCH01.pdf](#) **IMPROVEMENT (ASSESSMENT) DISTRICTS (0805-80), IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT I.D. 180, PROJECT NO. 5103011**

25. Approved **Contract #2009-02**, an intergovernmental agreement with Maricopa County for special transportation services to augment Valley Metro's East Valley Dial-a-Ride service.

COMMENTS: Cost to the City is \$25,000.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWgj03.pdf](#) **TRANSPORTATION PLANNING (1101-01)**

26. Approved **Contract #2004-242E**, Amendment #5 to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Phoenix for the purchase of transit services and technical support for fiscal year 2008/2009.

COMMENTS: (Contract #C2004-242d) Cost to Tempe is \$1,217,134 less fare revenue collected.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108pwgj04.pdf](#) **TRANSPORTATION PLANNING (1101-01)**

- *27. Held a public hearing and recommended the approval of a Series 06 bar liquor license for Gina Rico Enterprise LLC dba Sail Inn, 26 South Farmer Avenue.

COMMENTS: Gina Lombardi is the Agent for this application.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108LIQ02.pdf](#) **LIQ LIC (0210-02)**

- *28. Held a public hearing and recommended the approval of a Series 09 liquor store license for Smart & Final Stores, LLC dba Smart & Final #480, 1737 East Broadway Road #104.

COMMENTS: Joseph Cipollini is the Agent for this application.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108LIQ04.pdf](#) **LIQ LIC (0210-02)**

B. Award of Bids/Contracts

29. **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.**

Request to award a one-year contract to Kubik Maltbie, Inc., for design and construction of a mobile educational/recycling information center (ERIC) to be used by Public Works.

COMMENTS: (RFP 09-047) Total cost for this contract shall not exceed \$226,523.

Councilmember Arredondo asked that Item #29 be **continued to the January 22, 2009, Council meeting.**

Mayor Hallman asked the City Manager to issue concurrently a Request for Proposal that could go out prior to January 22nd so there could be a concurrent process to maximize the likelihood of moving ahead expeditiously and reducing the likelihood of losing the ADEQ grant associated with this project.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fsta07.pdf](#) **PURCHASES (1004-01)**

30. Approved **Contract #2008-137C**, Job Order No. 3 for security improvements to the municipal building complex through the existing job order contract with Caliente Construction, Inc., and approval of a project contingency.

COMMENTS: Total amount for job order no. 3 is \$81,805 and the amount of the project contingency is \$10,000.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWDR07.pdf](#) **MUNICIPAL BUILDING MAINTENANCE (1001-03) PROJECT NO. 6709441**

31. Approved **Contract #2008-252A**, Job Order No. 1 for construction of a 12-inch water line at Evelyn Hallman Park from Marigold Lane to McKellips Road through the existing job order contract with Pierson Construction Corporation and approval of a project contingency.

COMMENTS: Total amount for job order no. 1 is \$262,201.34 and the amount of the project contingency is \$10,000.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWDR09.pdf](#) **WATERMAIN CONSTRUCTION (NEW) (0810-06) PROJECT NO. 3207051**

32. Awarded **Contract #2009-04**, a design contract with Tetra Tech RTW, Inc., for modifications at the South Tempe Water Treatment Plant (STWTP).

COMMENTS: Total cost for this contract is \$128,905.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWDR08.pdf](#) **SOUTH TEMPE WATER TREATMENT PLANT (0811-08) PROJECT NO. 3200075**

33. Awarded **Contract #2009-05**, a design contract with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc., for improvements to City of Tempe Well No. 4 and to a Salt River Project well.

COMMENTS: Total cost for this contract is \$149,920.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWDR10.pdf](#) **WELLS-CONSTRUCTION/MAINT (8011-01) PROJECT NO. 3203231**

34. Awarded **Contract #2009-06**, a professional services design contract with PB Americas, Inc., for streetscape on Broadway Road.

COMMENTS: Total cost for this contract shall not exceed \$184,910.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWDR13.pdf](#) **STREET UPGRADING – MAINT-CONSTRUCTION (0809-05) PROJECT NO. 6003051**

35. Awarded **Contract #2009-07**, a landscape architectural contract with Vollmer & Associates Inc., for improvements to Goodwin Park.

COMMENTS: Total cost for this contract is \$154,390.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090109PWDR04.pdf](#) **GOODWIN PARK (0706-18) PROJECT NO. 6303141**

36. Approved a one-year renewal of contracts with Baker and Taylor, Inc., and BWI for the purchase of library books and non-print media for the Tempe Public Library.

COMMENTS: (T005-038-01 and 02) Total amount not to exceed \$600,000.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fst03.pdf](#) **PURCHASES (1004-01)**

37. Approved a one-year renewal of a contract with IT Partners for the purchase of Hewlett Packard servers and related products, accessories and services that are used by the Information Technology Department to support numerous applications for various City departments.

COMMENTS: (T005-079-01) Total amount not to exceed \$1,650,000.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fst04.pdf](#) PURCHASES (1004-01)

38. Approved the utilization of ten-month Western States Contracting Alliance contracts with Verizon Wireless and Sprint Solutions, Inc., for a wide variety of parts, accessories and services for laptops, cellular phones, and Blackberries.

COMMENTS: (EPS070070-1-A1 and 3-A1) Total cost of these contracts shall not exceed \$450,000 during the contract period.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fst01.pdf](#) PURCHASES (1004-01)

39. Approved the utilization of ten-month City of Phoenix contracts with Clear Blue Services, LLC, and Creative Communications for in-building public safety radio frequency coverage enhancement services for privately-owned and City-owned buildings.

COMMENTS: (06-001) Total cost of these contracts shall not exceed \$180,000 during the contract period.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fst02.pdf](#) PURCHASES (1004-01)

40. Approved the utilization of a twenty-eight month ADOT contract with ITS Engineers & Constructors of Utah, Inc., for the purchase and installation of security cameras and emergency call boxes at Light Rail Park and Ride facilities located in Tempe.

COMMENTS: (Contract #T06559A0015) Total cost of this contract shall not exceed \$150,000 during the initial contract period.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fslg05.pdf](#) PURCHASES (1004-01)

41. Approved the utilization of a one-year State of Arizona contract with Ikon Office Solutions for the lease and installation of multifunctional digital copiers/printers throughout the City on an as needed basis.

COMMENTS: (EPS060122-3) Total cost for this contract shall not exceed \$380,000 during the contract period.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108fst06.pdf](#) PURCHASES (1004-01)

- C. Ordinances and Items for Introduction/First Hearing - These items will have two public hearings before final Council action.

- *42. Introduced and held the **first public hearing** for historic designation of the WILKIE [BRAUN / GUTIERRES] HOUSE located at 1290 South Maple Avenue. **The second public hearing is scheduled for January 22, 2009.**

COMMENTS: (PL080191) (J. Jay Braun trustee of the Braun 2007 Revocable Trust and Sara E. Gutierrez trustee of the Gutierrez 2007 Revocable Trust, property owners; Joe Nucci, Historic Preservation Officer, applicant) consisting of a property with a 1937 constructed house located at 1290 South Maple Avenue, in the R-2, Multi-Family Residential District. The request includes the following:

HPO08003 – (Ordinance No. 2008.60) Historic Designation of an individual property on +/- 0.24 acres.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108dsrl01.pdf](#) PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (0406)

- *43. Introduced and held the **first public hearing** to amend Chapter 2, Article V, of the Tempe City

Code relating to Boards, Commission, Etc. by adding new Division 19, establishing the Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board. **The second public hearing is scheduled for January 22, 2009.**

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108cdch01.pdf](#) TCC CH 2 – CITY CODE
ADMINISTRATION (0503-02) ORDINANCE NO. 2009.02

D. Ordinances and Items for Second Hearing/Final Adoption

- *44. Held the **second public hearing** and adopted ORDINANCE NO. 2008.71 granting an electrical “Utility Easement” located at West Lakeside Drive and Rio Salado Parkway to Arizona Public Service by the City of Tempe.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWCH12.pdf](#) GRANT OF EASEMENT (0904)

E. Resolutions

45. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2008.107 authorizing the Mayor to execute **Contract #2007-212D**, First Amendment to Development and Disposition Agreement with TEMPE RI, LLC, regarding the development of a Marriott Hotel at the southwest corner of 5th Street and Forest Avenue.
COMMENTS: The First Amendment to the Development Agreement would provide GPLET funds to the Developer to assist in financing the hotel. The advance would be reimbursed with interest over the term of a 15 year GPLET Lease. In return, the developer would relinquish a proportionate share of their parking rights in the garage (currently under construction) thereby making them available to the public.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108cdcm01.pdf](#) COMM DEV/REDEVELOPMENT ADM (0403-01)
46. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2009.02 amending the City of Tempe Personnel Rules and Regulations, Rule 3, Section 301, by adding a new subsection H relating to recruitment.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108hrb01.pdf](#) PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS (0301-01)
47. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2008.90 amending City Code Appendix A – Schedule of Fees and Charges, Chapter 29, Streets and Sidewalks, relating to Engineering Fees.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108PWWS14.pdf](#) MISCELLANEOUS FEES (0210-05)
48. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2009.04 amending the current Memorandum of Understanding between SEIU Local 5 and the City of Tempe.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108hrb02.pdf](#) NON SUPERVISORY AND PUBLIC WORKS NON SUPERISORY EMPLOYEES – MEET AND CONFER (0303-08-03)
49. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2009.05 amending the current Memorandum of Understanding between TSA and the City of Tempe.
DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108hrb03.pdf](#) SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES – MEET AND CONFER (0303-08-05)
50. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2009.06 amending the current Memorandum of Understanding

between the Fire Fighters' Unit and the City of Tempe.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108hrb04.pdf](#) FIRE FIGHTERS – MEET AND CONFER
(0303-08-01)

51. Approved RESOLUTION NO. 2009.03 amending the City's financial policies.

DOCUMENT NAME: [20090108jh01.pdf](#) FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (0208)

6. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCE

Kate Glenn, Tempe, Assistant Principal at Tempe High School. She introduced **Mark Yslas**, Principal at Tempe High School. Ms. Glenn stated a little over two years ago, they started on a journey to explore ways to better serve the students of Tempe with a rigorous and challenging curriculum. They found a curriculum program called International Baccalaureate (IB) which is an internationally renowned program for high school students. A committee spent many long months doing research and visiting schools using the IB curriculum, and lots of presentations were made to staff who voted overwhelmingly to pursue adopting the IB curriculum. Presentations were made to the school board who also voted to approve pursuit of the program. Several community presentations were also made, including a presentation to the City Council. As a result of the community support, they were able to send many teachers to training over the last few months. Presentations were also made to middle schools in order to recruit students for the program and to parents in the East Valley and south Phoenix. A visiting team from the IB organization examined them, and on December 15th, they received notification from IB headquarters in Switzerland that Tempe High School was authorized to become an IB world school, the only such school in Tempe.

Mark Yslas, Tempe, Principal at Tempe High School, desired that everyone recognize what this program will bring to Tempe. IB is not a program that can be bought off the shelf or ordered from a catalog. IB selects the school. The IB world organization comes to see if you are good enough for the IB curriculum and they must sanction you and give you permission to have that program. They received this information right before winter break and celebrated throughout break, but it is important to recognize and for them to thank Council for all its support through their journey. This would not have happened without Council's help. Councilmember Arredondo and Councilmember Shekerjian were a tremendous help. IB is coming to Tempe and Council's investment in the staff, students and families at Tempe High will provide an outstanding return of that investment. Thank you for believing in the students at Tempe High and the students in the Tempe Union High School District.

7. CURRENT EVENTS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Councilmember Arredondo thanked the citizens, Council and the City Manager's staff for the Bowl games over the weekend. We are headed in the right direction and it's not something we thought would happen overnight, but we are headed in the right direction. To see the Light Rail open and hear the "thank-you's" meant a lot. He asked that the Mayor would thank all of those staff who expended so much effort. He reminded everyone that the P.F. Chang Rock 'n Roll Marathon is coming up. He further reminded everyone to reflect on what M.L.K. Day really

means and what it stands for.

- Vice Mayor Ellis added that there have been a lot of events in the City over the last week in December. Jyme Sue McLaren was volunteering on New Year's Eve to help people get on and off the train, and that shows the true dedication of City employees. A lot of employees were out there helping, and once again, the City of Tempe employees have shown they are the "best of the best."
- Councilmember Shekerjian added her thanks to staff for their tremendous effort during all of the events. She added her thanks to Shelley Hearn and her staff for their promotion, communication and dedication. She reminded Council that it was because they provided a \$25K stimulus grant to help start the IB program that it is here today. In other communities, IB has proven to be an economic development tool. She thanked Council for having the commitment to invest dollars in the community. She also thanked Mayor Hallman who will be participating in the Rock 'n Roll Half Marathon. He is fundraising for kids in our community and for other charities. He did this last year and raised over \$130K for Tempe-based charities. This year, he is not only raising money for different charities, including a program for students at Marcos de Niza High School, as well as at Tempe High School, but he is encouraging those students and teaching them about being good stewards by participating in the program themselves. Tempe Preparatory has 50 runners, Tempe High has over 30 runners, and Marcos de Niza has over 30 participants.
- Councilmember Mitchell added his thanks to staff for a wonderful Insight Bowl, New Year's Eve Block Party, and the grand opening of Light Rail. The Rock 'n Roll Marathon is coming up. Tourism is very important to our community and those events add a lot.
- Councilmember Navarro added his thanks to staff for the impressive Insight Bowl, Block Party, and the grand opening of Light Rail.
- Mayor Hallman added his kudos to staff. Staff raised over \$285K to pay for the light rail event through sponsorships. Staff members then worked continuously to make that event happen. On top of that, we had the Insight Bowl and New Year's Eve Block Party. Staff handled that with its usual expertise. By 8 a.m. the next morning, you wouldn't have known the event happened. Staff members worked through the holidays. The light rail grand opening started at 2 a.m., and at 2 p.m., staff took a short break and then kept going. Every work group pulled together in a way to make every event happen without issue. This is an organization that cannot be beat. They pull off miracles. He further thanked the Police personnel. The Block Party is a Homeland Security nightmare and it came off perfectly. They had to deal with new levels of security including bomb sweeps, and it was done perfectly. He read a thank-you received from a resident for police response. He asked the public to keep Jim Quill, an 18-year police veteran, in prayer. He was injured earlier this week when he was hit on his motorcycle by a vehicle. He is making a strong recovery.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

I, Jan Hort, the duly-appointed City Clerk of the City of Tempe, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby certify the above to be the minutes of the Formal City Council meeting of January 8, 2009, by the Tempe City Council, Tempe, Arizona.

Hugh Hallman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jan Hort, City Clerk

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2009.