

Arco City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2026

In attendance: Mayor Parsons, Council members Tessmer, Reese, Darland and Cummins. City Clerk Jensen, Deputy Clerk Smith, Maintenance Tony Chisham and Tim Snyder, PZ Chair Rebecca Lange, Guests Kirsten Bingham, Holly Grose, Ryan Andersen, Rosanne Smith, Shelly Blackner, Bryan Young, Jeff

7:00 pm Mayor Parsons - meeting called to order, led Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from previous meeting were read and approved.

Public Comments – None

Bills

- Total \$35,577.57
- Councilwoman Reese motion to approve, Councilwoman Darland 2nd, all in favor

Ordinance 2025-E

- 5.04 Business Licenses 2nd reading

Amend Agenda

- Pres Tessmer made a motion to amend the agenda, Councilwoman Reese 2nd, all in favor.

Swear In New Council Member

- Councilman Cummins sworn in by City Clerk Jensen.

Elect Council President For New Election Cycle

- Made a motion to elect Councilman Tessmer as Council President, Councilwoman Reese 2nd, all in favor.

Camille Miller/Forsgren – TAP Application

- Ms. Miller expressed need to make changes to the TAP application. ITD will not support the proposed sidewalk and pedestrian crossing on Salmon Ave but would be in favor of a new pedestrian crossing at Grand Ave and Front and continue the sidewalk up Grand Ave. ITD support is necessary because the project is within their right of way. Ms. Miller presented a commitment letter and resolution 2026-01 to the council for the TAP application agreeing to the required 7.34% match. Pres Tessmer read the resolution and made a motion to adopt, Councilwoman Reese 2nd. Motion carried.
- Ms. Miller updated council on well location acceptability analysis. DEQ granted an extension for submission to July 2026.

- Lead and Copper update: new rules for council to consider allow for City to fund homeowners' replacement with approval from home owner.

Shelly Blackner/Pretty City Committee Update

- Ms. Blackner gave updates on projects and events and presented new flags to be hung on the street poles.
- Informed council of the County's recent purchase of the Fredricks building on January 9, and 30 day notices issued to the residents to vacate the building.

Tim Snyder – Review Estimate For New Roof On City Shop

- Mr. Snyder explained the need for a new roof on the city shop and presented a quote for the work and presented cost estimate from Wet Creek Construction for \$ 28,258.00 Pres Tessmer made a motion to table the matter pending confirmation that the city does not have to publish bid for the work. Councilwoman Reese 2nd.

Roundtable

- Clerk Jensen wished everyone a happy New Year and congratulated Councilman Cummins on his recent appointment to the City Council.
- Mayor Parsons read a letter from John Danz regarding the recent changes to the parking restrictions in front of his business on Front Street.
- Pres Tessmer confirmed the city does not have to publish bid for the roof project on the city shop and made a motion to recall the estimate to repair the roof, Councilwoman Reese 2nd. After review by the Council, Pres Tessmer made a motion to accept the bid and approve the repairs. Councilwoman Darland 2nd, all in favor.
- Councilwoman Darland wished to thank Bryan Young with ITD for their efforts in installing signs along Front and Grand after the City's safety concerns. In their conversations, he praised Dana and all her hard work in the recent months.
- Tim Snyder, Code Enforcement has been trying to contact homeowners along West Era regarding property maintenance.
- P&Z Chair Rebecca Lange is impressed with the improvements made throughout the City in the last year and thanked the Council for their efforts. The creation of the new City map is progressing, but further clarification is needed on the City boundaries. The County Commissioners have decided on and adopted a map

8:24 pm meeting adjourned. The next regular city council meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2026, at 7 pm at the City office.