

MINUTES

LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, June 3, 2009
League Office Building
1820 W. Washington, Phoenix

MEMBERS

President

Boyd Dunn, Mayor, Chandler

Vice President

Robert Walkup, Mayor, Tucson*

Treasurer

Larry Nelson, Mayor, Yuma

Marie Lopez Rogers, Mayor, Avondale
Doug Von Gausig, Mayor, Clarkdale
Gilbert Lopez, Councilmember, Coolidge
Byron Jackson, Mayor, Eloy*
Steve Berman, Mayor, Gilbert*

Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor, Glendale
Fernando Shipley, Mayor, Globe
Jim Cavanaugh, Mayor, Goodyear
Monica Badillo, Mayor, Hayden*
Mark Nexsen, Mayor, Lake Havasu City*
Scott Smith, Mayor, Mesa
Paul Loomis, Mayor, Oro Valley
Kenny Evans, Mayor, Payson
Bob Barrett, Mayor, Peoria
Maria Baier, Councilmember, Phoenix
Harvey Skoog, Mayor, Prescott Valley
Lynne Skelton, Mayor, Sahuarita*
Gerry Whipple, Councilmember, Show Low
Robert Strain, Mayor, Sierra Vista
Mark Mitchell, Councilmember, Tempe
Bob Rivera, Mayor, Thatcher

*Not in attendance

Some members attended the meeting by telephone

President Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

1. LEAGUE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR JAN BREWER'S FY 2009-10 BUDGET PROPOSAL

President Dunn started the meeting, mentioning that a draft of the proposed League Resolution in support of Governor Jan Brewer's FY 2009-10 Budget Proposal was sent to all Executive Committee members. He noted the primary focus of the League Resolution was to support the Governor's proposal, as it holds cities and towns harmless, while he recognized there was the issue of revenue enhancement in the budget proposal as well as other nuances that may need to be addressed. President Dunn then asked for members' input on the content and wording of the League Resolution.

Discussion ensued among Executive Committee members for specific wording of the Resolution to communicate the League's endorsement of the Governor's budget for its support of cities and towns and lack of harmful provisions that were included in other budget proposals. The Executive Committee also addressed the Governor's proposed temporary one-cent sales tax increase and acknowledged that in this specific instance, cities and towns would not receive their traditional share

of the new temporary sales (TPT) tax revenue. Several committee members wanted to make it clear that the resolution should be interpreted to mean that the Executive Committee supported the right of the people to vote on the temporary tax increase, not necessarily in support of the tax itself. In light of other proposed legislative solutions that would shift responsibility for a balanced state budget to cities and towns through the re-direction of VLT funds and use of local impact fees, the committee agreed that the Governor's proposal was the best alternative for it does not contain any of those detrimental provisions.

In addition to the League Resolution, Executive Director Ken Strobeck mentioned that the League drafted a template letter of support for Executive Committee members to send to the Governor's Office, if they so choose. Councilmember Baier asked that individual cities and towns report to the League if they elect to endorse the Governor's Budget. Ken agreed that the League would keep a tally of cities and towns in support of the budget proposal.

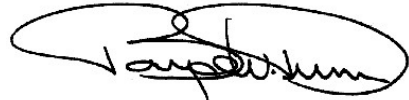
Mayor Lopez Rogers motioned that the League Resolution be adopted with the verbal amendments agreed upon by the Executive Committee. Mayor Nelson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. ADJOURNMENT

President Dunn asked if there was any other business. Seeing none, he adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



PRESIDENT