MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STAR VALLEY

Tuesday, February 12, 2013 @ 6:00 p.m. 3675 East Highway 260, Star Valley, AZ (Star Valley Town Hall)

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL: Mayor Rappaport X, Vice-Mayor Newland X, Council Member Hartwell X, Council Member Binney X, Council Member Coon X, Council Member Leis X, Council Member Henderson X.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. R 13-01 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Star Valley, Arizona, acknowledging the Town's ongoing support for the use of photo enforcement technology as a tool to enhance public safety.

Town Manager Grier stated House Bill 2477, which seeks to eliminate photo radar enforcement, has been presented to the State Legislature by Representative Lesko for consideration. An additional bill has been presented which would require service of process for photo enforcement citations to be done between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., which would severely hinder serving citations. A recent telephone conference was conducted with Redflex personnel and representatives of other town and cities which have photo radar enforcement. The Mayor and Council of El Mirage have submitted a resolution evidencing their support of the program, and encouraged other towns and cities to do likewise. These resolutions will then be presented to the Legislature in support of photo radar enforcement.

Town Manager Grier pointed out House Bill 2477, if passed, would give the Arizona Department of Revenue power to decide whether or not a town or city should utilize photo radar enforcement. Mr. Grier stated it is his belief this decision is better made by the town itself.

Mayor Rappaport stated there have been no fatalities in Star Valley since inception of photo radar, and that the majority of motorist do slow down while going through the Town. Discussion was held concerning the benefits of photo radar, as well as the fact that bills to ban photo radar can be expected every legislative session and will need to be dealt with as they arise.

A motion that the Council adopt Resolution No. R 13-01 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Star Valley, Arizona, acknowledging the Town's ongoing support for the use of photo enforcement technology as a tool to enhance public safety was made by Council Member Leis, and was seconded by Council Member Henderson.

The motion was voted on and passed 7-0.

• COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

During this portion of the meeting, members of the public may address the Town Council on items that are not on the printed agenda. Any remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to any individual member. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes per person unless additional time is granted by the Mayor. The Council may not discuss or act upon matters raised during public comments.

Sharon Rappaport, resident of Star Valley, stated it was her understanding that El Mirage no longer has a police force, so it needs photo radar, just as Star Valley does.

• ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Hartwell, and was seconded by Council Member Henderson.

The motion was voted on and passed 7-0.

APPROVED:

William S. Rappaport, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Lois V. Johnson, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Star Valley held on the 12th day of February, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2013.

Lois V. Johnson, Town Clerk