

**Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority**

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE  
ARIZONA SPORTS AND TOURISM AUTHORITY  
CACTUS LEAGUE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Tuesday, January 29, 2013  
3:00 pm  
Fennemore Craig  
3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 2600

**Attendance**

**Committee Members**

Jeff Meyer – Committee Chair  
Brad Wright  
Judy Bernas

**Staff**

Tom Sadler, CEO  
Kevin Daniels, CFO  
Robin Matteson, Office Manager

**Board Chair**

Jody Harwood

**Authority General Counsel**

Sarah Strunk, Fennemore Craig

**Guests**

Mike Wekessar – Gensler Architecture  
Ted Polakowski, Director of Minor  
League Baseball Operations, Oakland A's  
Lew Wolff, Owner Oakland A's  
Chris Brady, Mesa City Manager

Scott Smith, Mayor, Mesa  
Debbie Spinner, City Attorney, Mesa  
Bill Jabjiniak, Economic Development Mesa  
Scott Butler, Asst. to City Mgr. Mesa

1. Call to Order - A public meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority's (the "Authority") Cactus League Committee (the "Committee") was held at the offices of Fennemore Craig, 3003 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, Arizona on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at 3:00 pm. A quorum being present and the meeting having been duly noticed, Committee Chair Jeff Meyer called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.
2. Consideration of Minutes from April 18, 2012 Committee Meeting Committee Chair Meyer called for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held April 18, 2012 **attached hereto as Exhibit A**. Upon motion duly made by Committee Member Brad Wright and seconded by Committee Member Judy Bernas the minutes were unanimously approved.
3. Presentation from City of Mesa/Oakland A's Organization Regarding Planned Improvements to Hohokam Stadium Mike Wekesser, Associate with Gensler Consulting summarized presentation **attached hereto as Exhibit B**, which included the following information
  - Costs of renovations would be approximately \$20M to \$22M. AZSTA's contribution would be \$8.2M
  - Renovations are to take place at both Hohokam Stadium and Fitch Park
  - The capacity of the new stadium would be approximately 8,000 to 9,000
  - The management of the stadium would be the A's during Spring training and Mesa during the year (when not being used by the team)
  - Lease would be a 20 year term with two (5) year options. Opt out after 15 year – A's paying remainder of lease

Lew Wolff, explained Phoenix Muni needs repairs that the City is unable to complete due to budget cuts and that the A's would move regardless of whether they could move to Mesa. Mr. Wolff further shared the move would take place whether or not AZSTA approves funding. Committee Chair Meyer asked Mesa Mayor, Scott Smith if he had any comments prior to the Committee voting. Mayor Smith shared Mesa's investment in the Cactus League and indicated he had spoken with Phoenix Mayor Stanton as well as ASU about the possibility of ASU playing at Phoenix Muni.

4. Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03.A3 regarding legal advice with attorneys of the Authority
5. Return to the open meeting Committee Chair Meyer welcomed the guests back into the room and resumed the open meeting.
6. Consideration of Request from City of Mesa Regarding Hohokam Stadium Committee Chair asked if there were any further questions or discussion from the Committee. Upon no further discussion Committee Member Bernas moved that the Committee recommend to the Board to "Allow staff to Negotiate and Enter Into an IGA with City of Mesa for the Improvements at Hohokam Stadium, Contingent upon a) Execution of 20 year lease with Oakland A's and b) The Oakland A's completing their obligation with the City of Phoenix through 2014." The motion was seconded by Committee Member Wright and the vote was unanimously approved.
7. Announcement of Future Meeting Dates and Other Information Concerning the Committee No meetings are scheduled at this time.
8. Adjournment There being no further business of the committee, Committee Chair Meyer requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion duly made by Member Wright and seconded by Member Bernas the meeting was adjourned.