

STATE OF ARIZONA NAVIGABLE STREAM ADJUDICATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

December 15, 2016

Commission Decision Regarding Navigability of Verde River PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Commission Members Present

Wade Noble, Bill Allen, Jim Henness, Jim Horton.

Commission Members Absent

None

Staff Present

George Mehnert, Director.

1. Call To Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

See above for members present and absent

3. Approval of Minutes for October 20-23, 2015 and November 17-20, 2015 (discussion and action). The minutes were approved as submitted without objection.

4. Discussion and Presentations by parties regarding the navigability of the Verde River

Speakers and Presenters were Edwin Slade, Joy Herr-Cardillo, John Helm, Mark McGinnis, Sue Montgomery, Cynthia Campbell, and Sean Hood.

Members of the Public were also present and the following members made short presentations per agenda item number 5: Jim Voller, Jennifer Martin, Dan Mills, Jimmie Watley, Thomas Slaback, Bob Rothrock, Chris Jensen, Steven Max Castillo, and Anita Gauss.

Following presentations and questions from the Commissioners regarding the Verde River, the Commission entered into Executive Session at approximately 12:00 p.m. to obtain legal advice concerning the Verde River. Executive Session ended at approximately 12:30 p.m., and the Commission went back on the record at that time.

Decision regarding the Navigability of the Verde River. A motion was made that all six segments of the Verde River were non-navigable; the segments are numbered 0 thru 5, and the vote occurred regarding each segment.

Motion by: Jim Horton Second by: Jim Henness

Motion: That segments zero thru five of the Verde River were non-navigable.

Vote: Roll Call Vote by Segment:

Segment 0 - All Aye.

Segment 1 – All Aye.

Segment 2 – Commissioners Horton, Henness, and Noble – Aye. Commissioner Allen – Nay.

Segment 3 – All Aye.

Segment 4 – All Aye.

Segment 5 - Commissioners Horton, Henness, and Noble – Aye. Commissioner Allen - Nay.

5. Call for Public Comment.

Speakers who requested to speak did so following the presentations by Parties, see item 4 above.

6. Future meeting dates and future agenda items.

Reminder of future scheduled hearing dates for the Salt River reconvening January 26, 2016.

7. ADJOURNMNT

The business of the Commission having been completed the Chair adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mehnert

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Director, Navigable Stream Adjudication Commission

December 16, 2015