



# The Mesa Police Association

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Dear FOP Executive Board,

The Mesa Police Association urges you to reconsider Mesa Fire Fighters Association's request to meet sooner than July 14<sup>th</sup> with the city of Mesa regarding work yet to be done on a Meet and Confer Ordinance. We are on a critical timeline. Time is of the essence. It is a major priority to get this process started as soon as possible to protect front line officers, especially with looming budget shortfalls.

We understand a two week Las Vegas trip is the priority for FOP, but the MPA believes the protection of our frontline officers in a process they have never received before is the priority. These two weeks are critical to the timeline that has been established.

Our front line Officers deserve our utmost attention and diligence, especially with the real risk that exists to their salaries and benefits. Therefore, we formally request the FOP leave a few members behind to continue with the talks between July 1 to July 14, 2009.

Sincerely,

Fabian Cota  
President, Mesa Police Association

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