



CITY OF SURPRISE
Regular City Council Work Session
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 @ 4:00PM

Call To Order

Roll Call

Mayor Hall called to order the Regular City Council Work Session of January 21, 2020 at 4:00 PM at Surprise City Hall Council Chambers, 16000 N Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374. Also in attendance with Mayor Hall were Vice Mayor Winters, Council Members; Duffy, Hayden, Judd and Sanders and Remley.

Staff Present: City Manager, Michael Frazier; City Attorney, Robert Wingo and City Clerk, Sherry Ann Aguilar.

Pledge of Allegiance

Regular City Council Work Session Agenda

Call To The Public

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Presentation and discussion pertaining to Expect More Arizona (The Movement for World-Class Education) and the Arizona Education Progress Meter.

Jodi Tas, City Manager's Office introduced Expect More Arizona representatives, Donna Davis and Dr. Quinn Kellis to give a powerpoint presentation on the Arizona Education Progress Meter. The report contained metrics that pertain to the population in Surprise.

Ms. Davis asked for Council support for a proclamation supporting our efforts for education.

Dr. Kellis continued the presentation and thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and discussed the many programs and educational opportunities available for students in Surprise and the surrounding area.

Vice Mayor was impressed with the percentage of graduates in Surprise. What does a tuition cost for Growing Minds Pre-School?

Dr. Kellis commented that we are below the typical community based tuition,

approximately \$200. lower.

Council Member Sanders, this is extremely valuable to our community. I like what you are doing here in Surprise. When I was going through the data, when you broke out the Latino demographic, why is there a decline?

Ms. Davis commented that the data has a lot to do with lower income, they may need extra assistance is some of the issue.

Council Member Sanders, I am curious to see the post graduation enrollment at Ottawa.

Council Member Judd commented that my daughter goes to Countryside, you mentioned by aligning our goals with yours will make a difference. What do you suggest?

Dr. Kellis commented that it needs to be constant awareness, be informed, give testimony on your child's success will be helpful. Brag on Dysart! CM Remley thanked Dr. Kellis for their efforts with Dysart School District. Nothing but positive feedback. It is troubling to see the Latino statistics. The Pre-School area is where it all starts, the kids minds are learning fast. If there is anyway as Council that we can make our district better, we will do that.

Council Member Hayden thanked Dr. Kellis for what they do, the kids are our future. Do you have students that speak another language besides Spanish? Is this an issue?

Council Member Duffy commented on the reading goals.

Ms. Davis, we are concerned about making this goal by 2030, we need additional funding.

Mayor Hall commented that he has seen such a culture change in Dysart since you have been here, because you are involved. You show up and support your principals and teachers here.

2. FY2021 Budget Kickoff Presentation

[Finance Director, Andrea Davis and Asst. Finance Director, Holly Osborn gave a powerpoint presentation on the FY2021 Budget process.](#)

[Staff presented the Budget Calendar with proposed dates through adoption in June 2020.](#)

[The public notice language is confusing but it is mandated by State Law. There is no options to change or modify the language so it will be confusing to the general public.](#)

[Ms. Davis spoke on Capital and creating a sustainable Asset Replacement Policy. Will bring this topic back on February 4th for detailed discussion.](#)

[The next topic discussed was the PSPRS Policy, develop a sustainable and consistent funding policy.](#)

[Vice Mayor Winters - maybe we can find some funds for Public Works Department](#)

for median maintenance for Northwest Ranch. Also, the ad that goes in the paper, every year I receive emails and phone calls when the ad goes out in the paper, never fails.

Council Member Remley asked to see the truth in taxation notice again. Asked for clarification on paragraph 2.

Mayor Hall - asked if this include the valuation change?

Executive Session

Adjournment

Vice Mayor Winters made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Work Session of January 21, 2020 at 5:02 PM. Council Member Remley seconded the motion. Seven yes votes, motion carried.

Skip Hall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk, MMC

CERTIFICATION:

I, Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk for the City of Surprise, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Regular City Council Work Session of **Tuesday, January 21, 2020.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk, MMC