



**CITY OF SURPRISE**  
**General Plan Advisory Group**  
**16000 N. Civic Center Plaza**  
**Surprise, AZ 85374**  
 Tuesday, June 13, 2023 @ 6:00 PM  
**COMMUNITY ROOM**

- A. Call To Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Current Events and Reports
- E. Staff Reports
- F. General Plan Advisory Group Agenda:

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1. **Action to Approve or Disapprove the May 9, 2023 GPAG meeting minutes.** Jason Moquin  
Community  
Development

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 2. Internal **Review and Discussion of Draft General Plan 2040** Jason Moquin  
Community  
Development

G. Other Business and Future Agenda Items

- 1. **60-Day Review June 30, 2023 to August 30, 2023** Jason Moquin  
Community  
Development  
  
**Community Workshop No. 3, August 10, 2023 - City Hall - Community Room 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
  
**GPAG Meeting No. 9 August 19, 2023 - City Hall - Community Room, beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

H. Executive Session

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or discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3)).

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The Commission may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Commission’s attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

I. Adjournment

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**CITY OF SURPRISE  
GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY GROUP  
MEETING NO. 7  
MEETING MINUTES**

**May 9, 2023  
6:00-8:00 PM  
Council Chambers Community Room  
16000 N Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, AZ 85374**

**GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING #7**

**GPAG MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Robinson, Parks & Recreation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Gibbs, COS Resident              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitchell Rosenbaum, Planning & Zoning Comm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chris McComb, Imagine Prep. Academy             | <input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Breading-Goodrich, COS Resident         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Phillips, Developer                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Gyorffy, COS Resident                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Kent Xander, Land Broker                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Doolittle, COS Resident               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dennis Tyner, Ottawa University      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margaret Lieu, Arts Commission        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Draper, COS Resident                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holly Medina, West Mec                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mark James, Luke AFB                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taylor Earl, Land Use Attorney              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Leonard, COS Resident            | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Boule, COS Water Resource Mgmt. Director | <input type="checkbox"/> William Lally, Land Use Attorney                       |

**CITY OF SURPRISE STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Moquin, Planning Manager  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lloyd Abrams, Comm. Dev. Director |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trever Fleetham, Planner-Senior |   |

**MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL (CONSULTANT STAFF) IN ATTENDANCE:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matthew Klyszeiko, Consultant Project Manager | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Sifferman, Consultant Planner |
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**General Plan Advisory Group (GPAG) Meeting convened at 6:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order:**

GPAG Chair Steve Doolittle called the GPAG Meeting #7 to order at 6:00 PM. He then led an attendance roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Current Events and Reports:**

Planning Manager Moquin announced to the GPAG that the members should be looking forward to the upcoming City of Surprise Housing Study that will soon be completed by an outside consultant firm.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Item No 1. Consideration and action to approve the General Plan Advisory Group Meeting #6 Minutes of April 11, 2023.**

Approved

**Regular Agenda Item – Non-Public Hearing:**

**Item No 1. Review and Discussion of Surprise General Plan 2040 Draft Goals and Policies.**

Consultant Klyszeiko of Michael Baker International gave a brief presentation on the purpose of the meeting to review and discuss the Surprise General Plan 2040 Draft Goals and Policies. He instructed the GPAG members on the small group review and discussion procedures.

Small groups utilized two 30-minute rounds of conversation with 3-4 committee members and one staff facilitator to provide a final review the six Values paired into three stations.

1. A Welcoming Place & A Sustaining Environment
2. A Livable Community & A Connected City
3. A Competing Economy & A Healthy Lifestyle

Staff and facilitators provided feedback from the small groups to inform the entire committee on the various comments provided during the small group conversations. During this time, members of the committee had a final chance to offer any closing observations.

Some of the topics presented in the final reporting and discussion were:

1. A Welcoming Place: (1) *Adjust wording from “outreach” to “engagement” to imply two-way communication,* (2) *State explicitly some of the more prominent community partners.*
2. A Livable Community: (1) *Considerations for a potential future airport of in the City,* (2) *A diversity of housing options to include different price ranges and rental/owned options.*
3. A Connected City: (1) *Emerging transportation technologies beyond electric vehicles,* (2) *Considerations for mass transit and connecting into the regional transit system.*
4. A Competing Economy: (1) *Create a business environment that attracts a resort destination in Surprise.*
5. A Healthy Lifestyle: (1) *Mention homeless services in the community within the Goals and Policies,* (2) *Art should be more explicitly stated in the Goals and Policies wording and tie into to the community’s educational aspirations.*
6. A Sustaining Environment: (1) *Better define sustainability and the systems approach,* (2) *Add in solar technology for energy generation in the writing of the General Plan,* (3) *Considerations for a potential new landfill site at the 2040 time horizon of this General Plan update.*

Overall, there were comments from the GPAG members for the staff and consultant team to try to find areas of the Goals and Policies for further compression if possible and to consider writing some of the statements in more concise and clear language. Additionally, cost of development should be more explicitly written into the goals and policies under the six values when applicable. Finally, a roadmap of reference topics would be a good idea to include in the Plan, so readers can quickly jump to sections pertinent to them.

#### **Other Business and Future Agenda Items:**

After wrapping the final discussion of the Surprise General Plan 2040 Draft Goals and Policies, Planning Manager Moquin and Consultant Klyszeiko reviewed the upcoming events in the Surprise General Plan Update timeline. The next GPAG Meeting #8 will be on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in the Council Chambers Community Room from 6-8 PM. The Draft General Plan will be reviewed at this meeting. Also, there will be separate work sessions with the Planning & Zoning Commission and the City Council in June to review the Draft General Plan. The 60-Day General Plan Review timeframe commences on June 30<sup>th</sup>-August 30<sup>th</sup>. Community Workshop #3 will take place on an evening to be determined between August 10<sup>th</sup>-August 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

At the conclusion of the agenda items, Chair Dolittle moved to adjourn the General Plan Advisory Group

Meeting #7 at 8:00 P.M.

The foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original document.

ATTEST BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Moquin, Planning Manager

DATE: May 10, 2023



**CITY OF SURPRISE  
General Plan Advisory Group**

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Council Meeting Date: June 13, 2023                      Contact Person: Jason Moquin, Planning Manager  
Submitting Department: Community Development    District: Internal  
Staff Recommendations:

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Consent: No            Regular: No            Public Hearing: No            Report/Discussion: Yes

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**Agenda Wording:**

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**Motion:**

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**Background:**

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**Objective Analysis:**

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**Policy Compliant:**

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**Financial Impact:**

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**Budget Impact:**

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**FTE Impact:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

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