



## **CITY OF SURPRISE**

**City Council Work Session Minutes**

**125 West Bell Road, D-100**

**Surprise, AZ 85374**

Thursday, November 13, 2008 @ 05:00 PM

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### **CALL TO ORDER.**

#### **A. Roll Call Regular City Council Work Session Agenda:**

Mayor Truitt called the to order at 05:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 12425 West Bell Road, D-100 Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Thursday, November 13, 2008**. Also in attendance with Mayor Truitt were Vice Mayor Villanueva, Council Members Longabaugh, Council Member Alton, Council Member Williams, Council Member Johnson, and Council Member Hall.

**Staff Present:** City Manager, Randy Oliver, Assistant City Manager, Kathy Rice, Assistant City Manager, Doug Sandstrom, and City Clerk, Sherry Aguilar.

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

#### **#1. Presentation on the recent redesign of the city web site - NO ACTION**

Communications Director, Ken Lynch gave a brief power point overview of the recent redesign of the city website. Topics of discussion included Council Conversation Show, Council Notebooks and Granicus Integrated system.

Other new features include being able to translate all pages into several different languages as well as being very user friendly and adding a personal, warm feeling when you visit our site. This site is a work in progress and will be continually updated as events occur.

Council Questions/Comments:

Mayor Truitt commented that this is outstanding and we are very proud of your department.

Council Member Hall - Super job! On the Tourism page can you click into lodging information and make reservations? Lynch - We are not at that point yet, but this issue is being addressed.

Council Member Hall - Can you highlight the new features on the main page?

Council Member Alton - Communications staff has done a great job on highlighting Surprise and making it available for everyone. Are we able to take credit cards for payments? Lynch - Yes for Recreation Department.

Vice Mayor Villanueva - I can remember when Cox came into the city and I am glad to see this happen and congratulate you and your staff.

Council Member Longabaugh - Comments from around the United states and this is a great hook to get people to come and enjoy the sun.

Lynch - The State of California sends the most visitors to our website and 2nd would be Virginia.

## **#2. Economic Incentive Development Agreements - NO ACTION**

Deputy City Manager, Sintra Hoffman and City Attorney Michael Bailey gave a brief overview of the Economic Incentive Development Agreements.

City Attorney Bailey explained the various Arizona Revised Statutes that relate to development agreements.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Truitt adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of November 13, 2008 at 5:48 p.m.

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L.E. Truitt, Mayor

## **ATTEST:**

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Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,

## **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 of **Thursday, November 13, 2008.**

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Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,