CITY OF SURPRISE

City Council Work Session Minutes
12425 West Bell Road, D-100
Surprise, AZ 85374

Thursday, January 22, 2009 @ 05:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Truitt called the **Regular City Council Work Session** to order at 05:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 12425 West Bell Road, D-100 Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Thursday, January 22, 2009.** Also in attendance with Mayor Truitt were Vice Mayor Villanueva, Council Member 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, City Attorney, Michael Bailey, and City Clerk, Sherry Aguilar.

Staff Present

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

Item #1 - The purpose of this workshop is to present federal issues for discussion and input leading to the final staff recommendations of the City's 2010 federal agenda for Mayor and Council approval next month. Once modified and approved by the City Council, the agenda will define the City's federal legislative priorities and guide the City's lobbying activities at the federal level. The current national economic and political environment presents significant new challenges and opportunities for the City of Surprise; success in achieving our federal goals is more important than ever this year - NO ACTION <?xml:namespace prefix = o ns = "urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office:office" />

Kevin Crossgard and Julie Reese form Tri-Advocates gave a brief presentation regarding the Federal Agenda for FY2010.

Council Questions/Comments:

Mayor Truitt commented on: CD Block Funds and Senior programs be funded.

Council Member Alton inquired about: The City tag into Federal money.

Mr. Crossgard stated that we need to start now, and put a plan together and raise the profile.

Earmarks are very controversial.

Council Member Hall inquired of: Joint fighter F-35, who is competing?

City Manager Oliver commented on; Public Works projects, environment issues.

Item #2 – Discussion on the value of photo radar as a public safety tool - NO ACTION

Police Chief, Dan Hughes gave a brief presentation relating to photo radar.

Council Comments/Questions:

Council Member Alton commented on: statistics from last year to this year, doing a wonderful job, especially the motorcycle crew and he doesn't believe we are a city large enough for photo radar.

Council Member Williams commented on: mobile unit attached to a vehicle, asked what he is going to see, would like to see this on collector streets and that our communities are suppose to be walk able.

Vice Mayor Villanueva commented on: putting one in front of his house off of Grand & Greenway, it's a highly congested area and inquired how many hours would this save officers.

Council Member Hall commented on: high frequency violations slide of 1,100 and mobile feedback units do we have.

Council Member Longabaugh commented on: Pinal County stopping photo radar.

Mayor Truitt stated that this is an item that could come forward on a regular agenda for action.

Adjournment

Mayor Truitt adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of January 22, 2009 at 5:54 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 Regular City Council Work Session of **Thursday, January 22, 2009.**

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Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,