



CITY OF SURPRISE

City Council Meeting - Budget

**12425 West Bell Road, D-100
Surprise, AZ 85374**

Friday, May 1, 2009 @ 03:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Roll Call:

Mayor Truitt called the **Special City Council Meeting** to order at 03:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 12425 West Bell Road, D-100 Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Friday, May 1, 2009**. Also in attendance with Mayor Truitt were Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Longabaugh, Council Member Alton, Council Member Williams, Council Member Villanueva, and Council Member Hall.

Staff Present: City Manager, Randy Oliver, Assistant City Manager, Kathy Rice, Assistant City Manager, Doug Sandstrom, City Attorney, Michael Bailey, City Clerk, Sherry Aguilar, and Budget Manager, Jared Askelson.

WELCOME BY MAYOR TRUITT

GROUND RULES

FORMAT

BUDGET OVERVIEW

City Manager, Randy Oliver gave an overview of the 2010 Budget.

Council Member Alton commented on: supply and demand and permit maturity and expiration.

Council Member Hall inquired of eliminating standing inventory and resale market.

Council Member Alton commented on: be on the conservative side and facing bigger problems in 2010.

Vice Mayor Johnson inquired about the building permit number and the total deficit.

Staff has been reduced 6.2% to date.

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEWS/GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Mayor/City Council

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Budget Manager, Jared Askelson gave an overview for each individual department.

Mayor/City Council

Council Member Alton commented on: reduction of travel, training and mileage reimbursement.

City Manager

Government Relations

Council Member Alton asked for an explanation regarding personnel expense.

Communications

City Attorney

Council Member Hall inquired about the number of Attorney's in the Legal Dept.

City Clerk

Finance

Human Resources

Information Services

Management & Budget

General Operations

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS/BREAK

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development

Community Development

Mayor Truitt stated that the development agreement process should be in the Legal Department and that he is against creating a new position and that it could easily be covered by existing staff.

Vice Mayor Johnson stated that he depends on Jeff Mihelich and the Legal department to make the decisions, we are too top heavy and prefers to keep the workers employed that are out in the field.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about which part of management and stated that top

management is needed in order to run the city.

Council Member Hall inquired about adding a new position and reducing two positions.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Municipal Court

Council Member Alton inquired about an RFP for a Public Defender?

Police Department

Fire-Emergency services

COMMUNITY AND RECREATION SERVICES

Community and Recreation Services

Vice Mayor Johnson inquired about summer camps.

Council Member Hall asked for clarification regarding Page 4 under operating funds.

Mayor Truitt asked for explanation of adjustments not being recommended.

Council Member Williams commented on looking at saving some of the positions to maintain these parks.

Council Member Longabaugh stated that there are a couple of management positions that could be reclassified and hire two maintenance employees instead.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works - General Fund

Vice Mayor Johnson inquired about street lights.

Council Member Alton commented on zero scape landscaping.

Streets

Water Operations

Sewer Operations

Sanitation

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS/WRAP UP

OTHER BUSINESS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

Consideration and action to enter an Executive Session with the City Attorney for legal advice on any item listed on the agenda.

Consideration and action on executive session items.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Truitt adjourned the Special City Council Meeting of May 1, 2009 at 7:20 p.m.

L.E. Truitt, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 Special City Council Meeting of **Friday, May 1, 2009.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,