



CITY OF SURPRISE
City Council Work Session Minutes
100 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Thursday, September 9, 2010 @ 03:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER.

A. Roll Call

Regular City Council Work Session Agenda:

Mayor Truitt called the **Regular City Council Work Session** to order at 03:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Thursday, September 9, 2010.** Also in attendance with Mayor Truitt were Vice Mayor Alton, Council Member Wolcott, Council Member Williams, Council Member Villanueva, Council Member Woodard, and Council Member Hall.

Staff Present: Interim City Manager, Mark Coronado, City Attorney, Michael Bailey, City Clerk, Sherry Aguilar, and Deputy City Clerk, Linda Stevens.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

#1. Call for public input regarding agendized items.

No public comments were made.

#2. The City of Surprise Mayor and Council will hold a retreat to discuss the following topics:

A. Introductions

B. Roles and Expectations

C. Strategic Plan Development for Sustainability and Higher Education to include: - Vision Statements - Focus Area - Implementation Items

Presentation

Council Member Williams reported on education in Surprise.

Discussion Focus: Quality Education, Economic Development (K-12 through Higher Education) and actions to take to support K-12 schools in Surprise.

Vice Mayor Alton asked how it's been working with the school district.

Council Member Villanueva commented on getting the information out to everyone.

Council Member Wolcott commented on partnering.

Council Member Williams reported on: Higher Education and Sports Science Institute. Discussion regarding various facilities.

Examples of various facilities were discussed.

Vice Mayor Alton suggested forming an Ad-Hoc Committee of citizens that have experience in Higher Education.

Discussion regarding Smartgrowth, annual meetings with School Board, partnerships and creating safe learning environments.

Consider use of focus groups to recruit specialized higher education presence to Surprise.

Council Member Wolcott commented on head of household jobs, education and transportation.

Interim City Manager Coronado inquired as to the type of University.

Mayor Truitt called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. after a short break.

Mayor Truitt commented on sustainability roadmap and communicating it to our residents.

Council Member Hall commented on teenage services, YMCA and Senior Center location.

Council Member Woodard commented on location and marketing.

Council Member Williams reported on solar initiatives .

Council Member Hall commented on solar installers and re-cycling glass,

Mayor Truitt commented on the effectiveness of Channel 11.

Council Members Hall and Wolcott commented on open space.

Community and Economic Development Director stated that the information will be merged where necessary, use specific language, get out to Council, develop time line and bring it back to Council in a future work session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Truitt adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of September 9, 2010 at 4:44 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 Regular City Council Work Session of **Thursday, September 9, 2010.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,