CITY OF SURPRISE

City Council Work Session Minutes
)00 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, March 22, 2011 @ 04:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER.

A. Roll Call

Mayor Truitt called the **Regular City Council Work Session** to order at 04:30 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, March 22, 2011.** Also in attendance with Mayor Truitt were Vice Mayor Hall, Council Member Alton, Council Member Wolcott, Council Member Williams, and Council Member Woodard.

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

Regular City Council Work Session Agenda:

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

#1. Call for public input regarding agendized items.

#3. Update and discussion of the Solicitation Ordinance Committee Recommendations - NO ACTION

Community and Economic Development Director, Jeff Mihelich gave an overview of the Solicitation Ordinance Committee Recommendations.

Council Member Woodard inquired about enforcement.

Council Member Alton commented on committee meetings.

Vice Mayor Hall commented on enforcement and education.

Council Member Williams inquired about the penalty section of the ordinance.

Council Member Wolcott commented on the education part, code enforcement reaching out to different groups.

Mayor Truitt stated that the general consensus is that we need a strong education component and need a balance between education and enforcement.

Public Comments:

Robert Barish - Thanked Council for understanding the property owners rights but still concerned about littering of flyers, literature, etc. this needs to be included in the ordinance as well.

Amanda Wright - Realtor's Association - We started working with Councilmember Wolcott over a year ago on this ordinance. By eliminating canvassers, this issue is solved. the market is still rough, and realtors are considered small business owners.

Frank Dias - On the committee and found that some were for the ordinance and some were for the education piece. Representing small businesses in Surprise. We need to make sure that the ordinance is fair and easy to understand.

Martha Bails - was in one of the focus groups, the suggestion that the City come up with a standard solicitation sign. Please consider this and it would be the City's sign.

#2. Update and discussion relating to activity with the Greater Maricopa Foreign Trade Zone - NO ACTION

Presentation

Community and Economic Development Director, Jeff Mihelich turned the presentation over to Mike Hoover, to discuss Greater Maricopa Foreign Trade Zone.

Jack Lunsford and Curtis Spencer were available for questions.

Mr. Lunsford explained to Council what a Foreign Trade Zone is and what the benefits be for the City. He discussed several sites being considered for FTZ throughout the west valley.

Mr. Spencer explained the technical components of the presentation as well as financial benefits for the City.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Truitt adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of March 22, 2011 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 **Tuesday, March 22, 2011.**

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Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,