



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

Tuesday, April 5, 2011 @ 03:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER.

A. Roll Call

Vice Mayor Hall called the **Special City Council Work Session** to order at 03:30 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, April 5, 2011.** Also in attendance with Vice Mayor Hall were Council Member Alton, Council Member Wolcott, Council Member Williams, Council Member Villanueva, and Council Member Woodard.

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

Special City Council Work Session Agenda:

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

#1. Presentation and discussion regarding the FY 2012 preliminary operating budget - NO ACTION

Chief Financial Officer, Scott McCarty gave an overview of the FY2012 Preliminary Operating Budget.

Presentation

Vice Mayor Hall asked for a list of rate breakdowns for various taxes.

Council Member Woodard inquired about Transient Tax.

Council Member Alton inquired about CRS fees, grant possibilities and hiring qualified people.

Council Member Wolcott stated that we need to look beyond the base of the budget.

Discussion included: changes to service levels, Healthcare cost sharing with employees, Refinance 2000/2003 MPC Debt and increase vacancy savings estimate.

Vice Mayor Hall called for a 5 minutes break at 5:30 p.m.

#2. Presentation and discussion regarding the FY 2012 rate recommendations for water,

wastewater, and sanitation - NO ACTION

Presentation

Vice Mayor Hall suggested taking last year's budget and reducing it by 5% and evaluating a service level.

Council Member Wolcott commented on finding savings in every department.

Council Member Williams suggested coming up with an analysis with 3 options that will define the impact of cuts.

Council Member Alton stated he would like the opportunity for line item discussion.

Mr. McCarty and Mr. Beckley gave an overview of Defining Enterprise Funds which includes: Water, Wastewater and Solid Waste.

Council Member Villanueva asked for the status of our CAP Water.

#3. Call for public input regarding agenda items.

Bob Vukanovich commented on keeping track of the budget, the accounting processes and the former Finance Committee.

Lou Provenzano commented on the budget, increasing revenue bringing in new businesses and buying and developing land.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Mayor Hall adjourned the Special City Council Work Session of April 5, 2011 at 6:55 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 Work Session of **Tuesday, April 5, 2011.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,