



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

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 @ 04:30 PM

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

Sharon Wolcott 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, May 22, 2012**. Also in attendance with Sharon Wolcott were Vice Mayor Williams, Council Member Biundo, Council Member Alton, Council Member Villanueva, Council Member Woodard, and Council Member Hall.

Staff Present: City Manager, Chris Hillman, City Attorney, Michael Bailey, and City Clerk, Sherry Ann Aguilar.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Regular City Council Work Session Agenda:

#1. Discussion regarding the Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce's recent activity - NO ACTION

Director of the Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce, David Moss gave an overview of recent activities. The following topics were discussed: Chamber events, Chamber benefits, networking, business education, Civic involvement, shaping communities and Chamber satisfaction survey results.

Discussion regarding a brochure; website; Chamber Minute segments; Surprise Tourism Center; Community Map for Tourism; Additional benefits to City and non Chamber Businesses were discussed as well.

Council Member Alton spoke of the great partner and appreciates reaching out to the members and businesses.

Council Member Hall inquired about membership being a 50/50 breakout small businesses and home based. He stated that we need to support our local businesses.

Mr. Moss spoke of strong board members that allow us to try new and different things.

Vice Mayor Williams inquired about working with local schools.

Council Member Woodard inquired about marketing and having a presence at various events.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about working with other Chamber of Commerce.

Council Member Alton spoke of a clearinghouse place, the Chamber agreement and needing a better location along Bell Road.

Council Member Hall inquired about the website.

Mayor Wolcott concurred with comments made by Council. She commented on setting up a business round table with other city staff and members of the Chamber.

#2. Continued Review of the City Manager's Recommended FY 2013 Budget - NO ACTION

CFO Scott McCarty gave an overview of Budgeted Contingencies. He reported that Council is being asked to adopt the tentative budget which will set a maximum spending limit of the proposed budget.

Council Member inquired about requirements.

Mayor Wolcott asked for clarification regarding the tentative adoption of the budget.

Council Member Hall asked for clarification regarding the appendix, schedule "A" - Page 182.

Council Member Alton stated that he has commented before that we are going to receive information at a late time and that he is not ready to vote on a tentative budget at this time.

Council Member Biundo stated that it would be an unfortunate circumstance if grant money came in and didn't have the authority and even after adopting the tentative approval, adjustments can be made over the next several weeks.

Council Member Hall spoke of proposed numbers that can be changed down if Council decides to do so.

E. Call To The Public:

F. Adjournment:

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of May 22, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

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 **Tuesday, May 22, 2012.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,