



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

Tuesday, June 5, 2012 @ 04:00 PM

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Special City Council Work Session** to order at 04:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, June 5, 2012**. Also in attendance with Mayor 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. Special City Council Work Session Agenda:

#4. Presentation and discussion on Valley Metro (RPTA) request for proposal of alternative Dial A Ride transit service for the City of Surprise - NO ACTION

Public Works Director, Bob Beckley gave an update on the proposal for alternative Dial-A-Ride services through Valley Metro (RPTA). The following topics we presented: review of service map; modifications of service; Pickup Window; Group Trips; enhanced services and operational costs.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about the hiring process for current dial-a-ride employees.

Council Member Alton inquired about the grant funding mechanism for RPTA and the fees for pickup service.

RPTA Representatives replied to questions relating to contract employment and the hiring process for drivers.

Group Trip Service and denial of service process was discussed.

Council Member Alton inquired about service guarantee; Discount Cab and restrictions in service.

Public Comments:

Roland Winters stated that this is an issue that is dear to his heart; the zero denial rate is great; he has had 19 denials since January; was recently diagnosed with cancer and now he will be able to get a ride if this program changes.

Council Member Hall inquired about same-day service.

Mayor Wolcott commented on residents that are limited in mobility.

Council Member Alton commented on concern for funding a transportation program for people that are not in need; wanting some limits on who can use this service and wants preference given to ADA residents.

Council Member Hall commented on fluctuation of expense portfolio.

Mayor Wolcott asked to see some models being used in the east valley.

RPTA Rep stated that budget decisions need to be made quickly.

Council Member Woodard inquired about cities that use the tier system.

#2. Discussion regarding revised development agreements for Marley Park Planned Area Development (PAD) and Heritage Park - NO ACTION

Assistant City Manager Mihelich gave an overview for the Marley Park and Heritage Park Development agreements. Topics included Marley Park Water and Community Park; lacks adequate wash room services and DMB is footing the bill on this project.

Vice Mayor Williams inquired about the timeline.

Council Member Alton inquired about the number of wells.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about the dollar amount on the improvements.

Public Comments:

Bob Vukanovich stated the following: he couldn't understand what the \$620,000. cost of the project; this is poor planning and the amenities should have been in place in the development agreement. Mr. Vukanovich inquired about changing the name to Marley Park and the \$350,000.00 maintenance agreement.

Mr. Mihelich answered Mr. Vukanovich question relating to maintenance costs and park name.

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

CFO McCarty reviewed powerpoint presentation with Mayor and Council relating to General Capital Fund & CIP Projects.

Council Member Alton inquired about street improvements.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about condemnation of property.

Council Member Alton inquired about the amount of SLID's

Mayor Wolcott commented on the need to even this out for all of Surprise.

Mr. Mascia stated that he will be coming back to the work session on June 19th to address the dark areas.

Council Member Hall inquired about the amount of street lights. Mr. Mascia - Approx. 13,000 throughout the City that are covered under the SLID's.

Council Member Hall asked for clarification regarding page 131.

Mr. McCarty review of quarterly reports for Council.

Mayor Wolcott distributed a spreadsheet that showed the trends for spending Discretionary Funds. She stated that she would support getting rid of Discretionary Funds, however Council may want to continue community outreach. She suggested taking all of district funds and creating a community outreach fund.

Council Member Alton stated that the majority of our money goes unspent.

Council Member Hall stated that he agree with Council Members Alton and Woodard's concerns. He further stated that reducing the amount is fine with him.

Council Member Woodard commented on reducing the fund to \$1,700 and pooling the funds so that other Council can use if needed.

Council Member Villanueva stated that he doesn't think that Council needs to create a pool for the funds, only reduce the funds.

Council Member Biundo commented on reducing and pooling the discretionary funds.

Vice Mayor Williams spoke of budgeting expenses, budgeting based on the need and being accountable to our citizens.

Mayor Wolcott spoke of creating a Community Outreach Fund and working with CM to bring proposal forward for next week's meeting.

The consensus this evening is that there will be cuts.

Public Comments:

Margaret Lieu - Member of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Board requested placing funding back into the budget for the Arts Board for many community programs and events.

#3. Presentation and discussion on COS 12-028 a contract with Desert Mobile Sandblasting to recoat the interior of the Rancho Gabriela water storage tank in an amount not to exceed \$422,250 (Contract \$384,250 plus an owners contingency of \$38,000) and Resolution 2012-59 - NO ACTION

Assistant City Manager Mihelich gave an overview of the Desert Mobile Sandblasting water storage

tank.

Council Member Hall inquired about the water.

Council Member Alton inquired about the dollar amount.

#5. Discussion regarding an Update on City Boards and Commissions - NO ACTION

Council Member Biundo gave a powerpoint presentation relating to Boards and Commissions. He made the following comments: booth set-up at all major events and would like the Disability Commission Meetings to be held in Council Chambers and be televised.

Council Member Hall commented on handbook, having a lot of turnover on the boards and possible can be done an hour before the board meeting.

Council Member Alton agreed with televising DAC Meetings.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about rotating Chairpersons.

Vice Mayor Williams gave an overview of the Youth Leadership Commission.

Council Member Hall gave an overview of why Council and staff were appointed to the Tourism Board.

Council Member Alton prefers the idea of each board and commission have a staff liaison as a point of support.

City Attorney Bailey stated that some of the proposed changes would require an ordinance amendment.

Mayor Wolcott thanked Council for working on this project.

Public Comments:

Eric Cultum stated that he is a bit concerned that there will be action taken prematurely with no conversation to the members about certain issues and that there are more things that need to be looked at.

#6. Review and discussion of the final draft Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Surprise and the Dysart Unified School District regarding the shared use of facilities - NO ACTION

Community and Recreation Services Coronado gave an overview of the intergovernmental agreement between the City of Surprise and the Dysart Unified School District.

Council Member Hall congratulated staff on the

E. Call To The Public:

Margaret Lieu stated that the January 9th meeting finalized budget and was passed along to CRS

Staff. There was no mention from Mr. Hillman or Mr. Coronado that the Arts Board submitted a budget proposal.

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Work Session to enter into executive session at 8:51 p.m.

#7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

F. Adjournment:

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Special City Council Work Session of June 5, 2012 at 9:06 p.m.

Sharon R. Wolcott, 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, June 5, 2012.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,