



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

Tuesday, February 5, 2013 @ 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, February 5, 2013**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Biundo, Council Member Alton, Council Member Williams, 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:

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing:

#1 City Clerk, Sherry Ann Aguilar will administer the Oath Of Office to newly selected Vice-Mayor, Jim Biundo - NO ACTION

City Clerk Aguilar administered the Oath of Office to Vice Mayor Biundo.

#2 Discussion of appointment process for the position of Presiding Judge - NO ACTION

HR Director, April Reynolds gave an overview of the JSAC process for the application process for the Presiding Judge. 3 applicants are being recommended to the Council for review and interviews at a later date.

Mayor Wolcott commented that this is the first time this Council has been through this process to hire a Presiding Judge. She suggested moving forward as recommended by HR if there are no objections.

City Manager, Hillman thanked our current Judge for staying on through this lengthy process.

#3 Presentation and discussion on conversion of current residential trash and

recycling collection practice to same day service - NO ACTION

Presentation

Interim PW Director, Terry Lowe gave a presentation relating to same day trash and recycling collection services to same day. A powerpoint presentation was reviewed.

Council Member Alton asked for a clearer explanation of what same day trash service consists of, and to explain how two trucks are going to be on the same route on the same day. He spoke of possibly looking at more recycling containers and taking same day service off the table.

Mr. Lowe commented on the cost for public education, advertising, etc.

Mayor Wolcott explained how the issue was brought forward for staff to review. She stated that we need to promote recycling more since the goods collected are sold to generate more revenue.

Vice Mayor Biundo commented on focusing on the cleanliness of our City vs the cost factor.

Council Member Alton questioned the can color; recycling of products; inspection and fine process.

Paul Mohr of Public Works explained that black for garbage and blue is for recycle and is unaware of what the vendor does with the recycled items.

Council Member Woodard explained the pickup process in Oregon and compared it to our city.

Council Member Villanueva inquired about potential for savings.

#4 Discussion and presentation of a recommendation to establish an administrative policy to provide residential solid waste customers the opportunity to suspend only solid waste collection and associated billing on a temporary basis - NO ACTION

Presentation

Interim Public Works Director, Terry Lowe gave a presentation regarding establishing an administrative policy to provide residential solid waste customers the opportunity to suspend only solid waste collection and associated billing on a temporary basis.

Council Member Hall stated that in Sun Village there are many complaints about this issue and that we need to take a look at what's fair to our residents.

Mr. Lowe spoke of the information from Buckeye who allows temporary suspension of service.

Council Member Alton asked for clarification of service fee.

Council Member Woodard stated that he never understood why we have to pay for a service that we are not providing to them.

Council Member Williams asked that staff keep the process as simple as possible.

Mayor Wolcott stated the Council needs to have a starting point, bring forward for Council review.

#5 Presentation and discussion regarding the city's Asset Disposition Policy - NO ACTION

Presentation

Assistant City Manager, Jeff Mihelich introduced Jay Baughman, Senior Analyst in the City Manager's Office to present the City's Disposition Policy. Review of a powerpoint presentation.

Council Member Hall questioned the current practices, and stated that that our residents and our local non-profits need to be notified of future auctions.

Council Member Alton spoke of looking at a local company.

City Attorney Bailey clarified items of in excess of half a million dollars being brought to Council.

Mayor Wolcott stated that we are looking for more transparency to allow our residents and non-profits to have an opportunity to bid on our items.

Vice Mayor Biundo asked for clarification regarding the State Statute vs. the City Code summary.

City Manager, Hillman -spoke of Jay speaks fluent Korean.

#6 Discussion and review of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development - NO ACTION

Housing Rehabilitation, Christina Ramirez gave an overview of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program for 5 homes through grant funding.

Council Member Hall asked for clarification regarding the funding source and process.

Ms. Ramirez explained that the city purchases the homes, then sells to buyers who qualify for the program and that no profits are to be made from this program.

Council Member Alton inquired about accounting.

Mayor Wolcott stated that she appreciates the end results of this program and that some of these areas need the rehabilitation.

E. Call To The Public:

City Attorney Bailey recommend to not allow Council to speak during the Call to the public, this allows for the public to speak only. This would be setting precedence to do this.

Mayor Wolcott stated that this is on the fly; that she does not want to open up a can of worms and that we will look at something for the future.

F. Executive Session: None

G. Adjournment:

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Special City Council Work Session of February 5, 2013 at 5:50 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, February 5, 2013.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,