



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

Tuesday, April 22, 2014 @ 06:00 PM

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Special City Council Meeting** to order at 06:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, April 22, 2014**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Hall, Council Member Winters, Council Member Biundo, Council Member Williams, Council Member Villanueva, and Council Member Tande.

Staff Present: City Manager, Chris Hillman, City Attorney, Misty Leslie, and City Clerk, Sherry Ann Aguilar.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Special City Council Meeting Agenda:

Mayor recognized Fire Chief, Michael White and commented that this is his last official City Council Meeting.

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing:

#1 Introduction to the FY2015 City Manager's Recommended Budget - NO ACTION

City Manager Hillman; ACM Bob Wingenroth and Lindsey Duncan were asked by Mayor Wolcott to proceed with the budget presentation for FY2015. A powerpoint presentation is available for review.

ACM, Bob Wingenroth highlighted the following topics:

Budget Retreat - Saturday, April 26, 2014 - 8:30 a.m.

Current Employee Components - Class and Comp Study; MOU's, cost of living adjustment; reinstating the merit pay system in January 2015 for unrepresented employees.

Ongoing Priorities

Upkeep of facilities and assets

Highlights of the 2015 Recommended Budget

Tour of the 2015 Budget Document

Budget Calendar

Focus on General Fund - ACM Wingenroth commented that the budget books are your policy document, this is an operating guide for the departments and outline the priorities. The white book is the summary budget and the black book is the actual line item budget for all City departments.

Revenue Update

General Fund Operating Summary

Adoption Process Summary

Vice Mayor Hall asked for transfer explanation and clarification on Page 8; he also asked for a comparison of what stadium costs are through the Cactus League - page 13 and 24 positions - Identify which are growth related - page 15.

Council Member Biundo asked for clarification on page 15 - list of added positions.

Council Member Tande would like to see the capacity and ranges of property tax.

Big changes, want to make sure we can sustain the changes (Merit increases, assets, etc).

Focus on economic development a priority, focus on right of ways and medians, engage the HOA's.

Public Comments:

Leo Mankiewicz spoke of: crossroads budget, downtown area is crucial to the development of our City; city planning; land use and sustainability. He offered suggestions for level 1 planners and long range planners; streamline the process to hire a planning director with design experience and call it a City Architect.

#2 Presentation of quarterly report by the Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce - NO ACTION

Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce Director, Ab Jackson gave a quarterly report. A powerpoint presentation is available.

Mayor Wolcott asked Council to provide their thoughts on how you value the Chamber and give to the City Manager.

#3 Consideration and action on the grant funding recommendations of the Community Outreach Program Sub-Committee in the amount of \$14,600 - APPROVED

Council Member Biundo gave an overview of this request.

Vice Mayor Hall made the motion to approve the Community Outreach Program as recommended. Council Member Winters seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

E. Call to the Public

F. Executive Session:

G. Adjournment:

Vice Mayor Hall made the motion to adjourn the Special City Council Meeting of April 22, 2014 at 7:25 PM. Council Member Villanueva seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

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 Meeting of **Tuesday, April 22, 2014.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,