



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

Tuesday, May 17, 2016 @ 06:09 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular City Council Meeting** to order at 06:09 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, May 17, 2016**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Biundo, Council Member Winters, Council Member Williams, Council Member Villanueva, Council Member Hall, and Council Member Tande.

Staff Present: City Manager, Bob Wingenroth, City Attorney, Robert Wingo, and City Clerk, Sherry Ann Aguilar.

Pledge of Allegiance

Proclamation and Community Acknowledgements

A proclamation recognizing May 15-21, 2016 as National Public Works Week in Surprise. Mayor Sharon Wolcott will present the proclamation to Surprise's Public Works Director Mike Gent and Water Resource Management Director Terry Lowe.

Mayor Wolcott read aloud a proclamation recognizing this week as Public Works Week. The proclamation was then presented to PW Director, Mike Gent and Water Resources Director, Terry Lowe.

Paul Bernardo, Youth Services Coordinator recognized Country side students for conducting the pledge of allegiance. Thanked Michelle Click and Marcy Hassler for their efforts bringing the youth to the meeting.

City Manager Report

City Attorney Report

City Clerk Report

City Clerk Aguilar reported on drop off location today, May 17, 2016 35 ballots were dropped off.

Mayor Wolcott thanked City Clerk Aguilar for making this service available to the residents.

Call to the Public

Alyson Cline - President of the Friends of the Surprise Library. Why is the use of our library going down? Staff turnover, 5 people short, County did some reorganization. Currently 3 openings at the Surprise Library. Friends of the Library Paid for 100 percent of the Summer Reading Program last year.

Melissa Green - Surprise resident, the school district and the City is low on funds. Raise taxes on citizens, this is the same cycle everywhere. You have the ability to be a little different a little bold and forward thinking. 1.5 million tax dollars, listen and act. You can continue to ask citizens for more money, but only after you have made every effort.

Ed Hanzel - Surprise resident spoke on plat maps being improved for new developments with open retention areas for water retention. There are no parking spaces available at these pocket parks.

Georghe Iancu - (Handout for the record) Spoke on zoning issues with adult home care. Have contacted the City on 3 separate occasions and no resolution.

Consent Agenda

1 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the final plat entitled "Sycamore Farms, Parcel 12, Phase 2" and dated March 25, 2016, a 7.92 acre, 70 lot, medium density single-family subdivision generally located south of Cactus Road between North 165th Drive and SR303 - APPROVED

2 - Consideration and action declaring the City's intention to create the City of Surprise, Arizona, Autoshow West 2 #152 Street Lighting Improvement District pursuant to A.R.S. 48-616; Resolution # 2016-65 - APPROVED

3 - Consideration and action regarding a Final Plat for Southgate at Canyon Ridge - APPROVED

4 - Consideration and action to amend the fiscal year 2016 budget by reallocating appropriations of \$18,500 within the Grants Fund and General Fund for the Community Resource Center Project for the purposes of aligning budget authority related to a Maricopa County grant; Resolution # 2016-56 - APPROVED

5 - Consideration and action on the meeting minutes of May 4, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting and the May 5, 2016 Special City Council Meeting - APPROVED

Vice Mayor Biundo made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

Regular Agenda Item - Public Hearing

6 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of a rezone from Low Density Residential of 3.38 dwelling units per acre to Low Density Residential of 3.96 dwelling units per acre by Major Amendment to the Acoma Court PAD, a 29.55 acre property generally located 1,650 feet west of Reems Road and north of West Acoma Drive; Ordinance #2016-09 - APPROVED

City Planner, Bart Wingard gave a powerpoint presentation regarding items 6 and 7.

Council Member Hall - The fugitive dust, what is the situation with watering the site daily?

Mr. Wingard - Yes, this is regulated.

Council Member Hall - On the sign, the public hearing was to be determined. How did we notify the residents.

Mr. Wingard - it was sent to each household and a newspaper notice.

Council Member Williams - Questioned access in and out of the developments.

Council Member Williams made the motion to approve Ordinance 2016-09. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

7 - Presentation and action pertaining to approval of a preliminary plat entitled "Acoma Court" dated March 7, 2016, a 29.55 acre, 117 lot, Low Density Residential subdivision generally located 1,650 feet west of Reems Road and North of West Acoma Drive; Resolution 2016-75 - APPROVED

Council Member Villanueva made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-75. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

8 - Consideration and action pertaining to an amendment to the Surprise Municipal Code Chapter 122, Sections 122-56 through 63, and 122-105 regarding Outdoor Storage, Outdoor Display, and Temporary Uses; Ordinance 2016-08 - APPROVED

City Planner, Bart Wingard reported on Ordinance 2016-08.

Council Member Tande - Expand on the process of obtaining permission.

Mr. Wingard - Yes you would have to come to the City for permitting, they are small enough to be considered administrative.

Council Member Villanueva - Questioned which bins are not permitted.

Mayor Wolcott - Is this premature?

Mr. Wingard - I don't believe so, there is still another step.

Community Development Director Fitzer - Explained that this action will establish a clear process for approval.

Council Member Hall - Seasonal stocking and hotel renovations, don't want it to be too cumbersome.

Council Member Winters made the motion to approve Ordinance 2016-08. Council Member Villanueva seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

9 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of a Major Amendment to the

Desert Oasis PAD to modify the Medium Density Residential development standards for a 41.33 acre parcel generally located at the northwest corner of 173rd Avenue and Jomax Road; Ordinance # 2016-10 - APPROVED

City Planner, Sergio Angulo gave a presentation for both 9 & 10 for Desert Oasis.

Council Member Winters - Referenced the vicinity map, is this a mix of one and two story homes?

Mr. Angulo - Yes

Council Member Winters - This particular family development has a pool, is this something that is applicant driven?

Mr. Angulo - Civil Engineer on the project, built similar product throughout the valley, potential buyers want a community pool.

Council Member Hall - Questioned map and parking spaces on the map.

Council Member Villanueva - This is a lot of houses, do we still only have 163rd Avenue for access to Grand?

Mr. Angulo - Yes at this point that is correct.

There are future plans to add another access point off of Happy Valley and Jomax Road.

Council Member Tande - Has the market driven the standards on front driveways?

Mayor Wolcott - Yes, I agree this is a lot of homes and a lot of cars. How will the fire trucks get in and out of this area?

Lloyd Abrams, fire department is part of the review process. From this stand point ,we are okay.

Mayor Wolcott - Please show the slide that shows the elementary school site. How many children will be coming out of this school? My biggest concern is the impact of the schools, how do we really know? I would like to make sure we reach out to the schools in the planning process, there needs to be a really tight working relationship.

Council Member Tande - Reviewing Nadaburg school letter; read superintendent's comments; Trusting the professionals.

Public Comments:

Paula Coggin, Desert Oasis, my biggest objection is that I am in love with the desert and Surprise we have the opportunity to make this a premier area. Why is this even happening, I don't want to look at this every day. I don't consider retention basins as open space. I don't want to see a bunch of rooftops in the desert.

Bill Coggin, Desert Oasis - two main points to consider. Vicinity map, the round-about is a very tiny roundabout and with 2 accesses, will make a constant flow of traffic morning and evening. This will create a terrible traffic control. Also, with high density, we are always hearing about water issues in

the desert.

Youth member - When it comes to this issue, Surprise is a growing City, I can respect that you don't want this where you live, or is it that you don't want this at all?

Council Member Winters - I for one, would really have the initial voters, but I have concerns about access to the development, I hear this all the time.

Mayor Wolcott - I am sympathetic to Councilmember Winters concerns, this was once my district. We are a growing City, this Council has inherited 120,000 single family lots that have been put in place, so it is our best effort to respond to the rights of the developer. It's a real challenge. Those lots have a right to develop. This is delicate balancing act for the Council. I assure you that this Council is very much in favor of preserving open space. I appreciate the audience concerns and we hear you loud and clear.

Council Member Hall made the motion to approve Ordinance 2016-10. Council Member Biundo seconded the motion. Six yes votes, one no votes (Winters). Motion carried.

10 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of a preliminary plat entitled "Cortana at Desert Oasis at Surprise" dated March 21, 2016, a 41.33 acre, 269 lot, Medium Density Residential subdivision generally located west of 173rd Avenue and north of Jomax Road; Resolution # 2016-74 - APPROVED

Council Member Villanueva made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-74. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Six yes votes, 1 no vote (Winters). Motion carried.

11 - Consideration and action pertaining to adoption of the rates for stormwater services, including available credits for commercial customers, and setting an effective date of November 1, 2016; Resolution # 2016-60 - APPROVED

Water Resources Director, Terry Lowe gave an overview of this item.

There were no comments or questions from the public and City Council.

Council Member Winters made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-60. Council Member Tande seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

12 - Presentation and discussion pertaining to the White Tank Mountains Conservancy - NO ACTION

Community Development Director, Eric Fitzer gave an overview pertaining to the White Tank Mountains Conservancy. \$25,000. for a one-time fee, that is being worked into the next budget year.

Mayor Wolcott - One year ago to the day, I was approached by the Mayor of Buckeye and DMB, and was heart-broken that this wasn't part of the budget process. It is very important to protect the White Tanks Mountains, so glad to have this back before us.

Council Member Tande - I think this is a good idea, but want clarification on what the membership means? Is this advisory membership?

Mr. Fitzer - More of an advisory type of membership, but involved in discussions. Currently, we have been at the conversation level. This will take us to the next level.

Council Member Winters - I appreciate you getting this on the agenda tonight, very pleased to become a member of this organization.

Council Member Biundo - This is truly one of the keys to our future, I welcome this.

Council Member Villanueva - Was there any further plans about the resort we talked about at one time.

Mr. Fitzer - We have been having active conversations with the Arizona State Land Department on this issue. It's a long time away but active discussion.

13 - Consideration and action amending the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget by reallocating appropriations to proportionately allocate the Training Center project #21608 between the sewer and water funds, and reallocate appropriations from the Entry Gate and Block Wall project #21516 to the Training Center Project #21608 to complete the new Campus Entry Drive and site specific infrastructure in conjunction with scheduled school opening; Resolution # 2016-66 - APPROVED

Water Resources Director, Terry Lowe gave an overview of this item.

Council Member Winters - I would like to congratulate you and your team for a great collaborative effort.

Council Member Williams - This isn't an actual budget increase, shifting funds around to the right areas.

Council Member Tande - Budget adjustments

Other Business

Council Member Williams - Status report on Parks & Rec programs 2nd by Council Member Tande.

Executive Session

Adjournment

Council Member Villanueva made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting of May 17, 2016 at 8:29 PM. Council Member Winters seconded the motion. 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 Regular City Council Meeting of **Tuesday, May 17, 2016.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,