



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

Tuesday, February 2, 2016 @ 06:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular 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, February 2, 2016**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Biundo, Council Member Winters, 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 February 2016 as Career and Technical Education Month. Mayor Wolcott will present the proclamation to Mr. Jim Grieshaber, Career and Technical Education Administrator for the Dysart Unified School District.

City Manager, Bob Wingenroth gave an announcement for an award to be given to Gail Pletnick, Superintendent for Dysart School District.

Mayor Wolcott gave a personal comment on her first trip to Arizona and where Dysart is today from where we were from the first visit. We need to thank Dr. Pletnick for everything she has done for our school district.

Introduction by Mr. Paul Bernardo of students from Cimarron Springs are here this evening to lead the pledge. The students have Rachel's Challenge bracelets and Paul thanked staff for their participation. Student, Kaitlyn came forward to talk about Rachel's Club.

City Manager Report

Community Acknowledge for Dr. Gail Pletnick - Dysart Unified School District

City Attorney Report

City Clerk Report

Passport and Election 2016 update, by City Clerk Aguilar

Call to the Public

Mr. Vukanovich Statement for the Record

Consent Agenda

1 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the application for, and acceptance of, fiscal year 2016 Arizona Lottery Fund (ALF) grant funds in the amount of \$344,813; Resolution #2016-11 - APPROVED

2 - Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the Arizona Mutual Aid Compact (AZMAC) among the signatory political jurisdictions and the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) for mutual aid during emergencies; Resolution # 2016-15 - APPROVED

Council Member Winters pulled this item for clarification on funding and how it is dispersed.

Council Member Winters made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-50. Council Member Villanueva seconded the motion. Six yes votes. Motion carried.

3 - Consideration and action approving the sale of land and grant of a public utilities easement to Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for the Bell Road Interchange Project; Resolution # 2016-22 - APPROVED

4 - Consideration and action pertaining to conditional acceptance of the streets and public utility improvements at Marley Park Phase 3, including portions of 144th Drive and Sweetwater Avenue, improvements generally located on the northeast corner of Cactus Road and Bullard Avenue; Resolution # 2016-20 - APPROVED

5 - Consideration and action pertaining to conditional acceptance of streets and public utility improvements at Marley Park Phase 3, including portions of 145th Avenue south of Sweetwater Avenue, improvements generally located on the northeast corner of Cactus Road and Bullard Avenue; Resolution # 2016-19 - APPROVED

6 - Consideration and action pertaining to conditional acceptance of streets and public utility improvements at Marley Park Phase 3, including portions of Larkspur Drive, Via del Oro, 144th and 145th Avenues, improvements generally located on the northeast corner of Cactus Road and Bullard Avenue; Resolution # 2016-17 - APPROVED

7 - Consideration and action pertaining to conditional acceptance of streets and public utility improvements at Marley Park Phase 3, including portions of Sweetwater Avenue east of Bullard Avenue, improvements generally located on the northeast corner of Cactus Road and Bullard Avenue; Resolution # 2016-18 - APPROVED

8 - Consideration and action on a resolution accepting a 60 day extension to the

performance period for the State of Arizona, Department of Homeland Security grant in the amount of \$54,000 in support of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program; Resolution # 2016-21 - APPROVED

9 - Consideration and action on the minutes of January 19, 2016 Regular City Council Work Session and Regular City Council Meeting - APPROVED

10 - Consideration and action on Sampling Privileges for Safeway #1997 (Current License 09070653) located at 17049 W. Bell Road, Surprise, AZ. 85374 - APPROVED

Vice Mayor Biundo made the motion to approve the consent agenda, excluding item 2. Council Member Winters seconded the motion. Six yes votes. Motion carried.

Regular Agenda Item - Public Hearing

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

11 - Discussion and presentation pertaining to the operating revenue sources available in FY2017 - NO ACTION

Finance Director, Lindsey Duncan and Budget Manager, Jared Askelson gave an extensive review of a powerpoint presentation pertaining to the operating revenue sources available in FY2017.

Council Member Winters - Fee on solar panels, please clarify.

Mr. Askelson explained current policy on solar panels.

Vice Mayor Biundo - revenue growth over the past few years, but revenue growth alone has not been enough to address what we really need to address from the economic downturn. Keeping Surprise safe has to be our number 1 concern for our City. Addressing the Citizens Survey, 2/3rd that participated said they would support a public safety tax. Is it possible to take the top 2 or 3 items and somewhere bring to us a couple of scenarios comparing with each other. What would this bring us?

Council Member Tande - Mainly focus on property taxes, correct? We have basically set those rates many years ago. I am going to suggest that we keep open lines and compete with what other cities are doing. Every city has different conditions that they need to deal with. We need to do some "what ifs". I would love to see a way to discuss street lighting improvement districts and citywide landscaping districts.

Council Member Hall - Please make sure that there is an equation there, what does this buy us, etc.? I would also like to see with Pavement Preservation, life cycle graph.

Mayor Wolcott - Very thorough explanation, this is very helpful. We are very competitive where we are at right now, very efficient as a City. Residential tax, can't believe the legislature is looking at this. Not having the rental tax is detrimental. We don't really go out and collect all of the rentals that we should be collecting from. I do find it interesting on the property tax chart. Asked for clarification on how Mesa operates without a primary property tax.

Council Member Hall - Let's make sure we add trash and sewer rates, APS, etc. as a comparison.

Council Member Villanueva - On this deal about the rental tax, we all need to get involved with the legislature, it is our obligation as well.

Other Business and future agenda items.

Mayor Wolcott: Update on GPEC adopted Strategic Plan.

Council Member Tande: Update on MAG Human Services Initiative, seconded by Mayor Wolcott.

Mayor and Council reports

Mayor and Council attended and/or reported on the following:

Council Member Tande: Thanked PW Dept. east/west road projects moving ahead

Council Member Hall: Bell/Grand with HOA, thanked staff and the HOA's for their involvement

Council Member Villanueva: Peoria Council to Council Reception, very progressive and thanked HOA's for their involvement

Council Member Winters: Surprise POP's Band and ADOT at my next meeting on February 19

Vice Mayor Biundo: Tour of three of the Dysart Schools

Council Member Villanueva made the motion to recess and enter into executive session at 7:28 PM. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Six yes votes. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Discussion and action to enter executive session for discussion, consultation, and legal advice from the City Attorney; and to consider its position and instruct the City Attorney on litigation in City of Surprise v. Surprise Center Development Company pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes 38-431.03 (A)(3) & (4).

Consideration and action to enter into executive session for discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with Northwest Valley Fire Fighters Association and Surprise Police Employees Association pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(5).

Adjournment

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting of February 2, 2016 at 8:42 PM.

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, February 2, 2016.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,