



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

Tuesday, May 17, 2016 @ 04:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular 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, 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

Call to the Public

Alyson Cline, President of Friends of the Library here in Surprise. Advocate for fundraising and programs, grant program to support schools. We would like to help encourage the Library, Maricopa County and Surprise to have the OTS library open more hours. We would like to make ourselves available to volunteer to make this library more accessible. We supported Dysart District schools, contribute 188,000. in funds to the school district. Summer reading programs, books in book store. Here to be good partners to the City and our residents.

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

1 - Discussion pertaining to an intergovernmental agreement with the Maricopa County Library District to operate the Northwest Regional Library and Hollyhock Library - NO ACTION

CRS Assistant Director, Donna Miller gave an overview of a powerpoint presentation regarding an intergovernmental agreement with the Maricopa County Library District to operate the Northwest Regional Library and Hollyhock Library.

Council Member Winters - Why has the patronage dropped off?

Maybe southern residents are going to White Tanks Library.

Council Member Hall- Have we thought about hiring our own employees to run the library?

Ms. Miller - Would need to do a Feasibility study.

Council Member Hall - The library is a huge asset to the City, my experience, the personnel could use some assistance. The Olive library really doesn't have what ours has. I wonder if the Surprise library has more personnel issues. If we are going to continue to pay fees, then we need to have more input. Do we need security there all the time? It comes off as a little intimidating.

Ms. Miller - Per County mandate.

Council Member Tande - I really like the idea of a feasibility study, I think it is time to take a look at this. The computers are very heavily used. Look at how Olive impacts us as well.

Council Member Villanueva - How does the County feel about volunteers at the library?

Ms. Miller - they prefer to have their own staff to run the programs.

Mayor Wolcott - So the Olive library is in the County? I am surprised that they don't have more visitors but I realize it is out of the regular pedestrian areas. That being said, there is no additional funds going into the County library, but libraries in the cities are having to supplement. I find this curious.

Council Member Hall - FY14/15 figures are the latest. What do you think about the Hollyhock Library having volunteers?

Ms. Miller - this would have to be up to the County.

City Manager Wingenroth - referenced the cost.

2 - Presentation and discussion pertaining to a zoning text amendment and rezoning application to create a new Surprise Heritage District (SHD) zoning district for the Original Townsite and apply two corresponding overlay zones: Residential Overlay (RO) and Commercial Overlay (CO) - NO ACTION

City Planner, Joshua Mike gave an overview of the Surprise District Overlay. A powerpoint presentation was reviewed.

Council Member Tande - estimate the percentage of RO/CO for OTS. Little over 1/2.

Mr. Mike - 350 acres of residential.

Council Member Tande - Will we get more examples of cottages/businesses, etc., that work and won't work. Are we going to have enough parking for small businesses, or are we going to need to look at purchasing vacant lots?

Council Member Tande - Do we anticipate any need for public restrooms?

Mr. Mike - this has not been discussed as of yet.

Council Member Hall - What kind of incentives are we talking about?

Mayor Wolcott - Slides for manufactured homes, could be used in the overlay, it really speaks to the design standards, and is authentic to the community. Kudos to the staff in recognizing the authenticity of the neighborhood. When you drive through the neighborhood, you can clearly see the history.

Council Member Villanueva - Thanked staff for their efforts for over a 10 month process. It has been a constant information and feedback, and it is truly appreciated.

3 - Presentation and discussion pertaining to the City's Risk and Insurance programs.

Risk Manager, Brian Carmichael gave an overview pertaining to the City's Risk and Insurance programs.

There were no comments or questions from Mayor and City Council.

4 - Presentation and discussion from students in the Capitol Scholars program representing Arizona Charter Academy & Imagine Prep.

Paul Bernardo introduced Nanette Kliner from Arizona Charter Academy and Mrs. Neal. Presented proposals to the Council.

Arizona Charter Academy:

Council Member Hall - Unclear on the data, but don't want to put you on the spot. Just want to make sure I understand what the issues are. I don't see Market Street on the data. Martin Lucero clarified.

Foster Care Engagement Program

Council Member Villanueva - Age group?

Council Member Hall - Big project, I think you need to wrestle this down for more data. What's the fixed cost?

Council Member Tande - Great idea, keep working on this. We are working on similar programs, not ready to launch yet.

Kitchen on Wheels

Provides meals for families in need.

At Risk Youth Program

Council Member Williams - Foster care engagement program. You have touched on something that is increasingly evident in our communities.

Park Beautification Project

Community Garden and beautification of local parks

Council Member Hall - Very worthy project, give you an idea to teach other kids to not litter and you can start with the Surprise park.

Mayor Wolcott - We are in good hands with our youth and our future. It is critical to see that our kids are engaged in their communities.

Executive Session

Adjournment

Mayor Wolcott adjourned the Regular City Council Work Session of May 17, 2016 at 5:40 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 Work Session of **Tuesday, May 17, 2016.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,