



CITY OF SURPRISE

City Council Work Session Minutes

100 North Civic Center Plaza

Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 @ 04:11 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular City Council Work Session** to order at 04:11 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, May 16, 2017**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Tande, Council Member Winters, Council Member Hayden, Council Member Williams, Council Member Remley, and Council Member Hall (excused).

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to the Public

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

1 - Presentation and discussion pertaining to the Surprise Community Outreach Program (SCOP) and Neighborhood Grant Program awards and project updates - NO ACTION

Human Services Director, Seth Dyson gave an overview on the Grant Program awards and projects update. Topics discussed as follows:

Special Olympics, AZ

Adelante Healthcare

Rotary Club of Surprise

AZ Northwest Black History Committee

Radiant Church

A New Leaf West Valley

Dysart Education Foundation

Homeless Youth Connection

Northwest Valley Connect

St. Clare of Assisi St. Vincent De Paul Conference

St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance Youngtown Community Fund

West Valley Symphony

West Valley Arts Council

WHAM
Marley Park
Sanalina Community
Surprise Community Garden Kiosk at Benevilla

Mayor Wolcott applauded Council for this program, years ago Council had a line item identified as Community Funds, in turn set up a grant program to utilize across the City. Brings Council around a variety of programs throughout the City.

Council Member Williams - Thanked staff and Council for working tirelessly on these projects. Incredible turnout from non-profits. Compassionate Surprise theme, non profit and faith based organizations. A lot of positive response and warrants continuing this process. The Community Outreach Program is designed to target non-profits. The Neighborhood Grant Program, you do not have to be a non-profit, designed for the community and neighborhoods to engage each other. The response is much lower, is it communication? Is this something we want to continue over time? We didn't get the response from neighborhoods we were anticipating.

Mayor Wolcott - Have you reached out to the news media to spread the word?

Vice Mayor Tande - These are great ideas, the Community Vitality website has links and resources available, plus volunteer opportunities.

Council Member Remley - What a wonderful job staff is doing with these grant programs. The seed money we provided has been very productive. There has been some reluctance from residents to apply, but we want to get this money out there, we have the money, come and apply for it.

Council Member Hayden - Good job, this has increased your ability to communicate with the community.

Mayor Wolcott - This helps to introduce you to the community, great job and excellent work.

2 - Discussion and presentation regarding a potential General Obligation Bond Election; potential project lists and methodology used in identifying those projects - NO ACTION

City Manager Wingenroth led the presentation on a potential General Obligation Bond Election; potential project lists and methodology used in identifying those projects. We are discussing 10 projects this evening. We are proposing to you, a focus on safety.

Safety, pavement preservation, traffic congestion mitigation

Police Chief, Terry Young reviewed the projects necessary for the Police Department, projects 1 - 3.

Fire Chief, Tom Abbott, reviewed project #4 - Permanent Fire Station 304 - 163rd Avenue & Happy Valley Road.

Fire Station 308 - Litchfield and Cactus Roads - Help to reduce response times and lessen calls to stations 305 & 307 and El Mirage.

Mike Gent - Public Works Operations Facility & Traffic Congestion Mitigation

Mr. Gent - Greenway Road - Full build out of Litchfield Road

Mr. Gent - Pavement Preservation - Citywide

Mr. Wingenroth - 10 projects, 3 questions for the ballot. Looking for your consensus to ring forward to June 6th for a vote.

Council Member Williams - Thank you for adding Waddell Road, a country road not used as a country road, very busy. Yes the November election was so close. Going back, rethinking and restructuring is a huge benefit to our residents, I appreciate everyone's efforts.

Council Member Winters - I do have a concern on the process of this whole thing, and the lack of transparency, no minutes.

Vice Tande - We are asked all the time from our residents, why don't you pay for this out of your regular budget? Budget is very limited, primary property taxes is minimal. It would be a shame to take the 7 million dollars from impact fee, to give it back. Another reason why this is so important to do now. Quality of life and economic development projects.

Council Member Remley - I don't like taxes and a bond is another tax, but we need this for the future of our residents. How much would translate to us and our property tax bill if all 3 questions passed. Anyone can go to the Maricopa County web site and view their tax info online.

Council Member Hayden - Public Safety background, community Sun City Grand, my job is to educate them and hopefully make this thing work.

Mayor Wolcott - Very happy with the discussion on how to retool the plan. I appreciate the feedback from our residents, and staff is listening. I for one believe that this is a quality of life question.

Mayor Wolcott read aloud Councilmember Hall's statement.

Council Member Remley - Thanked staff for their efforts.

Council Member Winters made the motion to recess the Regular City Council Work Session and enter into executive session at 5:25 PM. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. Six yes votes, one excused (Hall). Motion carried.

Executive Session

Consideration and action to enter into executive session for discussion with the City Attorney pertaining to the 2035 General Plan Luke Compatibility District pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3).

Adjournment

Council Member Winters made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Work Session of May 16, 2017 at 5:53 PM. Vice Mayor Tande seconded the motion. Six yes votes, one excused (Hall). 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 Work Session of **Tuesday, May 16, 2017.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,