CITY OF SURPRISE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

February 1, 2018 / 6:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Ken Chapman called the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at Surprise City Hall, 16000 North Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on February 1, 2018.

A. ROLL CALL
In attendance were Chair Ken Chapman, Vice Chair Mitchell Rosenbaum, Commissioners Dennis Smith, Dennis Bash, Matthew Keating, Gisele Norberg and Eric Cultum.

STAFF PRESENT:
Community Development Asst. Director Lloyd Abrams, Sr. Assistant City Attorney Thomas Allen, Planner Robert Kuhfuss and Planning and Zoning Commission Secretary Lorraine Nevarez.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CURRENT EVENTS REPORT
None.

D. STAFF REPORT

None.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Chair Chapman opened the call to the public to discuss any items not listed on the agenda.

James Truman, resident, shared his concerns regarding traffic at intersection of 175th Avenue and Waddell.

Hearing no further comments, Chair Chapman closed the call to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item 1 – Internal – Consideration and action approving the January 18, 2018 Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes.

Item 2 – Internal – Consideration and action approving the January 18, 2018 Planning and Zoning Commission Executive Session Minutes.

Vice Chair Rosenbaum made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Bash seconded the motion. Motion passes with 7 votes in favor.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS REQUIRING A PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 3 – District 3 – Consideration and action regarding a Zone Change from Residential Ranch (RR) to Medium Density Residential 4.3 Dwelling Units per Acre with a PUD Overlay (RM-6 PUD) and Medium Density Residential 4.5 Dwelling Units per Acre with a PUD Overlay (RM-9 PUD).

Robert Kuhfuss, Planner, presented item 3 & 4 simultaneously to the Commission.

The Commission discussed item 3 & 4 simultaneously:

- 175th Avenue and Waddell improvements
- Traffic concerns
- Rear yard setback
- Community pool
- Street lighting

Chair Chapman opened the call to the public.

James Truman, resident, shared his concerns about light pollution. He encourages the Commission to consider Dark Sky Community requirements used in other cities.

Stewart Wood, resident, shared his concerns about traffic regarding Waddell Rd.

Sherlyn Wood, resident, shared her concerns about traffic regarding Paradise Honors.

Hearing no further comments, Chair Chapman closed the call to the public.

The Commission agrees that shielded fixtures should be used at this location, specifically near 175th avenue.

Commissioner Cultum made a motion to recommend approval to the Mayor and City Council a Zone change from Residential Ranch (RR) to Medium Density Residential 4.3 Dwelling Units per Acre with a PUD Overlay (RM-6 PUD) and Medium Density 4.5 Dwelling Units per Acre with a PUD Overlay (RM-9 PUD), subject to stipulations ‘a’ and ‘b’ as listed in the staff report. Commissioner Bash seconded the motion. Motion passes with 7 votes in favor.

Item 4 – District 3 – Consideration and action regarding a Preliminary Plat in the RM-6 PUD and RM-9 PUD zoning districts, general located at the southeast corner of 175th Avenue and Waddell Road.

Robert Kuhfuss, Planner, presented item 3 & 4 to the Commission.

Chair Chapman opened the call to the public.

Hearing no comments, Chair Chapman closed the call to the public.

Vise Chair Rosenbaum made a motion to recommend approval to the Mayor and City Council a Preliminary Plat in the RM-6 PUD and RM-9 PUD zoning districts, subject to stipulations 'a' through 'e' as listed in the Staff Report. Commissioner Norberg seconded the motion. Motion passes with 7 votes in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 5 – INTERNAL - Discussion pertaining to future agenda items.

The Commission would like more information regarding Dark Sky Communities.

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Chair Chapman adjourned the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at 6:50 p.m.

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Eric Fitzer
Community Development Director

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Ken Chapman
Planning and Zoning Commission Chair

The foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original document on file in the office of the City Clerk, City of Surprise, Arizona.

ATTEST BY: _____
Lorraine Nevarez, Commission Secretary

DATE: _____