CITY OF SURPRISE

City Council Work Session Minutes
)00 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 @ 05:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular City Council Work Session** to order at 05:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, January 16, 2018.** Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Vice Mayor Tande, Council Member Winters, Council Member Duffy, Council Member Remley, Council Member Hall, and District 2 - Vacant.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Proclamation and Community Acknowledgements

Call to the Public

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

1 – Presentation and discussion regarding a proposed Text Amendment to Chapter 113 of the Surprise Municipal Code regarding Signs - NO ACTION

City Planner, Robert Kuhfuss gave a powerpoint presentation on this item.

Mayor Wolcott asked what is the time frame for a temporary sign to be displayed?

1 hour before the event and one hour after. Accommodate the traffic on the day of the event, and alternative 2 is for extended amount of time.

Council Member Remley - I am confused, what is alternative #1, and what is #2, and then we can discuss what the differences are.

Mayor Wolcott clarified that there are 2 different classes and 2 different alternatives.

Council Member Hall - There is one thing, there is a 15 feet from the entrance but these are farther, correct?

Mr. Kuhfuss - Correct.

Council Member Hall - What is version 3 as it relates to the temporary signs? What is the difference.

Mr. Kuhfuss - Section 113-09 - Sign classification and types - Active single-family residential subdivision signs.

Monument Signs - 3 classifications - Use along a collector street.

Vice Mayor Tande - Would this apply to adult assisted living centers? No, the use is to remain invisible.

Mayor Wolcott - Political signs are an issue, and I receive more calls during this time. I see that there are some proposals in options 1 & 2 that at least give the planning committee some flexibility and guidance.

Council Member Hall - This is tough on staff, was this graphic intended to show distance from residence only? How close to residence compared to height?

You have to be at least 80 feet away from a residency for a monument sign.

Council Member Remley - How frequently can we have one of these signs on the roadway?

Vice Mayor Tande - Sample of photo of what it is today and another what it would look like with this scenario.

Section 113-09 - Freestanding ground signs/billboards.

3 particular areas along grand Avenue and Loop 303.

Mayor Wolcott - When were all of the signs from WINCO and others approved? Several sign programs approved for Prasada some time ago. Will get back to you on this.

Mayor Wolcott - had a question on billboards, different than freeway monument signs, please clarify the difference.

Vice Mayor Tande - Are you familiar with our neighbors to the east along 303? Scenic corridor billboards.

Mr. Fitzer - We will reach out to Peoria, but we do not know if they are putting this in place yet.

Council Member Hall - Grand Avenue north of Bell, signs on the southwest side, correct? What is the distance from Bell to Reems, could they be north or south facing, or both?

Council Member Remley - Allow north of Grand? Possibility if it meets the requirements.

Public Comments:

Chumita Frazer - no comments.

Rhett Cooney - Boulevard media company. Involved from the beginning of this process. My

comments have been submitted. The other comment is height, typically higher for freeway signs.

Executive Session

Adjournment

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Sharon R. Wolcott, Mayor

ATTEST:

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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, January 16, 2018.**

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Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk,