



CITY OF SURPRISE
Regular City Council Meeting
16000 N. Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

A. Call To Order

Mayor Hall called the Regular City Council Meeting of Tuesday, September 5, 2023 to order at 6:00 p.m., located at Surprise City Hall, 16000 N. Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, AZ 85374.

1. Invocation

Mayor Hall led a prayer.

B. Roll Call

In attendance with Mayor Hall were Vice-Mayor Chris Judd, Councilmembers Nick Haney, Alyson Cline, Patrick Duffy, Ken Remley and Jack Hastings.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Proclamation and Community Acknowledgements

E. City Manager Report

1. Commemoration of our Audit Committee Chair Alan Meyer

City Manager Bob Wigenroth gave a report about recent employee and volunteer losses.

F. City Clerk Report

1. Reports

G. Call To The Public

Richard Ziff, a Surprise resident, was called but did not appear.

H. Regular City Council Meeting Agenda

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

Vice-Mayor Judd asked to pull Item 8 from the Consent approval.

Motion: To Approve (minus item 8)

Initiated By: Jack Hastings

Seconded By: Patrick Duffy

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings

No: None

Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

1. Consideration and action to approve the August 15, 2023 City Council Workshop Minutes, Regular Council Meeting Minutes, and Executive Session Minutes.

2. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the Final Plat entitled, "Bella Fiesta" and dated June 8, 2023, for property generally located at the northwest corner of Bell Road and Dysart Road; FS22-1224.
3. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the Final Plat entitled, "Replat of Williams 223 Lot 2" and dated June 29, 2023, a property located at the northeast corner of Williams Road and 223rd Avenue; Case FS23-0253.
4. Consideration and action pertaining to the approval of Amendment No. 3 to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County for Home Program Funds, amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget by moving budget authority in the amount of \$400,500 from General Contingency to the Neighborhood Revitalization Fund, and revising the Contract Award Authority List; Resolution # 2023-117.
5. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024 budget by moving budget authority in the amount of \$33,000 from Contingency within the Grants Fund to grant project G31268 FFY23 Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS); Resolution #2023-105.
6. Consideration and action declaring the City's intention to establish a lighting improvement district known as, "City of Surprise, Arizona, SU-VillasatVesta208" pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-616 for the purpose of purchasing facilities and energy for lighting the public streets; Resolution #2023-115.
7. Consideration and action declaring the intent to enlarge an existing lighting improvement district known as City of Surprise, Arizona, SU-SummitPkwY206 pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-616 for the purpose of purchasing facilities and energy for lighting the public streets; Resolution #2023-111.
8. Consideration and action approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County for shared recreational opportunities, programs, marketing, and events; Resolution #2023-116.

Holly came to present about the IGA agreement with the County. Vice-Mayor Judd thanked staff for this item and talked about the possibilities of getting people outdoors.

Motion: To Approve
Initiated By: Chris Judd
Seconded By: Aly Cline

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None
Abstain: None

Vote Result: passed

9. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of a Fiscal Year 2024 budget amendment reallocating appropriations in the amount of \$6,900 for document storage and disposal; Resolution #2023-128.
10. Consideration and action amending the FY2024 budget by moving budget authority in the amount of \$7,111,400 for expenses and \$4,753,300 for revenue within the Risk Management Fund from City Attorney to Human Resources and amending the FY2024 Contract Awarding Authority List; Resolution #2023-26.

2. REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - PUBLIC HEARING:
3. REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

11. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the Agreement between the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) and the City of Surprise for the Fiscal Year 2024 in the amount of \$76,092.

Director of Economic Development, Jeanine Jerkovic, came to present this item, and gave a brief history of the program.

Vice-Mayor Judd moved to table this item, Councilmember Cline seconded. Mayor Hall tabled this item.

(Item continued after item 12 was completed)

Jeanine introduced Chris Camacho, CEO of GPEC. He gave a presentation about economic development and the involvement of the City with the region. He talked about creating high wage jobs and the trickle down of sales tax spending within the City. He elaborated on the Regional Results and West Valley projects. He asked for the continued support to the program. He then talked about the dollar to ratio impact, and the partnership with the City.

Mayor Hall, asked if HR directors are coming to site visit more and how Surprise compares? Chris talked about how they look at the larger pictures and what kind of employee they're seeking.

Chris further talked about the strategic plan goals. He talked about how important it is that manufacturing is leading the market locally. He talked about how GPEC looks at what kind of companies the City is trying to get.

Mayor Hall asked about the office prospects? Chris said it was a matter square footage. He said industrial demand is higher comparatively.

Councilmember Cline, said that Surprise doesn't have a lot of offices built. She was curious if there would be some migration from bigger cities? Or if changing office needs would drive office spaces to the City. Chris said it's changed since Covid and that a reset will determine what will happen. He said the smaller office footprints will be better in the future.

Councilmember Remley, talked about the importance of what GPEC is able to do. He asked if they were going to recruit from that group of companies? Chris said that TSMC and Intel would create a supply chain impact locally.

Motion: To Approve
Initiated By: Chris Judd
Seconded By: Aly Cline

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None
Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

12. Consideration and action pertaining to approval of a Fiscal Year 2024 budget amendment moving budget authority in the amount of \$4,267,700 from Contingency to the Police Department General

Fund to cover fourteen (14) sworn full-time equivalents (FTEs), along with supplies and services to support one-time and on-going operational expenses and amending the adopted FY24 Contract Awarding Authority List; Resolution #2023-121.

Police Chief, Benny Pina, came to present this item. He introduced several partner educators from Surprise. Dr. John Croteau, came up to introduce several colleagues, and to thank the Council for the partnership they had with the City. Chief Peña also thanked several members of his staff. He further talked about the program and the goals the SRO program had. He talked about the requirements to become an SRO and the training that they receive.

He then introduced Andrea Davis to talk about the budget amendment.

Councilmember Cline, asked if the schools are in session 9 months out of the year, what do the officers do when school is not in session? Chief Pina said it was closer to a 10 month program, he said the positions are interactive with the schools and they schedule vacation and training time during down times. Councilmember Cline said she was excited to see what sort of education programs the officers will do in the future.

Councilmember Remley, asked for clarification for the number of FTEs being added. Andrea said that 14 is the total number, 11 funded by grants. Councilmember Remley, then asked about one-time equipment programs, then personnel costs. Andrea talked about the total cost per officer vs what they make in their salaries.

Councilmember Hastings, talked about the program being an investment. He then asked what would happen if grants expire. Chief Pina said that the relationships the schools have with the grant authorities gives him a lot of confidence to successful in the foreseeable future. He said the grants paid for 3 years would pay back for themselves. Councilmember Hastings asked about the timeline or plan to getting an officer in every school in Surprise? Chief Pina said he was working on getting more officers for 7 more additional schools.

Mayor Hall, talked about the efforts the City takes to protect the adult population during events versus the effort to protecting children in school. He said how he wants the kids and teachers to feel safe. He said safety in schools is paramount.

Councilmember Haney, asked how the SRO program evolved over time? Chief Pina talked about previous experience with SROs. He talked about calls for service in contrast to assigned SROs. He mentioned the officers "buying in" on the program and how they find it rewarding. Councilmember Haney talked about supporting this program beyond any grants.

Councilmember Cline, thanked Andrea for explaining how the budget is spent. She talked about the expense of public safety. She talked about the importance of getting officers involved in the community.

Councilmember Remley, said it was \$30 per person to support this program. He asked if there would be an education program involved? He wanted to know how the officers would be deployed? Chief Pina said they would be deployed at the 14 mentioned schools. He then talked about the teaching component and how they work with the district to determine the issues. Councilmember Remley asked about the explorer program, Chief Pina they were looking to make it a cadet program. Councilmember Remley asked if it could be a more visible program?

Motion: To Approve
Initiated By: Aly Cline
Seconded By: Jack Hastings

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None

Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

13. Consideration and action amending Chapter 2, Article X, Sections 2-364 and 367 of the Surprise Municipal Code, the One and One-Third Percent for Public Art Program Ordinance, to include the use of the Municipal Arts Fund to fund the maintenance of artworks acquired by the City; Ordinance #2023-24.

Kelsey Lamphier came to introduce Julie Akerly, Arts & Culture Manager. Julie talked about adding the verbiage including "maintenance" and defining what it is.

Motion: To Approve

Initiated By: Chris Judd

Seconded By: Aly Cline

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings

No: None

Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

14. Consideration and action amending the FY2024 budget by moving authority in the amount of \$972,500 from general contingency to the Municipal Arts Fund for artwork acquisition and administration; Resolution #2023-119.

Kelsey Lamphier presented this item and talked about how this fund would contribute to art within the City. This proposal would set a budget for projects versus approaching council for approval for case by case items.

Julie Akerly followed up, talking about future projects and access to them. She talked about Utility Box Artwork, Community Pool Artwork, Multigenerational Resource Center Artwork Projects, and Bounce and Swing Additional Design Elements. She then broke down the budget proposed.

Councilmember Remley, asked why they were asking for an amendment for the budget that was already approved? He went on to talk about having money being spent on a year by year basis. He asked why it was important to spend it now? Kelsey talked about how this money was in contingency. Mayor Hall asked if this would be placed off contingency to the Municipal Arts Fund. Kelsey talked about how the money would roll over when it is not spent. She talked about creating Art Projects, and Multiyear projects. Mayor Hall talked about being transparent with the process. Kelsey said they were looking at things in advance. Mayor Hall talked about the process now versus what they are proposing. Kelsey said that this proposal would give them authority to spend the money, Councilmember Remley said it is not. Mayor Hall asked if the item could be brought back, he went on to talk about approving all the art in the past. He was concerned about reviewing the project and being aware of what projects were being done.

Councilmember Hastings, talked about the philosophy of using tax payer money. He asked if this was a million dollar project and if it was freeing up the money to let them work on new projects? Julie said it was. Councilmember Hastings talked about people who complain to council about art pieces that go up. He talked about being aware of the projects as they come up, and council having a final say.

Vice-Mayor Judd, said that this was money that was already collected. He wanted to know why certain money was being proposed for the Multigenerational center? Julie talked about three separate projects and the various scales of those projects. Vice-Mayor Judd asked why the budget was 2.5% instead of 1.33%? He thought the art would be more closely tied to the capital fund. Julie said it was more tied to the timeline, she said this was more focused on what was happening currently. Vice-Mayor Judd said he would rather things being budgeted as they come

up.

City Manager Bob Wigenroth said they would step back with the item. Mayor Hall talked about the concerns of the rest of council. Bob said they would look into best practices for art projects moving forward. Mayor Hall talked about the physical collection point of residents at the upcoming projects and how Art should be focal points there. He said he wants the Art brought back to be approved by Council. Councilmember Remely said they have some fine art in the City, but didn't want Art for Art's sake and that it's relevant to the City.

Councilmember Cline, talked about expanding art to more strategic areas, and spreading the art out. She talked about council knowing what was going on with Art projects as well.

Mayor Hall asked for clarification on the resolution? Kelsie said that it would approve spending authority for that money.

Manager Wigenroth talked about the feedback given and how they will bring the item back.

15. Consideration and action pertaining to the delegation of authority to evaluate and approve or deny special event liquor license applications to the City Clerk pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) Section 4-203.02; Resolution #2023-131.

Attorney Robert Wingo, came to present this item.

Vice-Mayor Judd, said he's a fan of doing it the way that's being proposed.

Councilmember Cline, said she agreed with the Vice-Mayor and pointed out how this is just for special events.

Councilmember Hastings, asked about regular licenses and having them as public hearings, and if there was any action about putting them back on consent. Attorney Wingo pointed out that they needed a public hearing. He further talked about the diligence the Clerk's Office would do on future items.

Councilmember Haney, asked what would happen if it's denied. Attorney Wingo pointed out that it's a recommendation from the City to the State, and that it's the State's decision.

Mayor Hall asked if the City Clerk could provide updates to Council as the Special Licenses come in? City Clerk Passarelli said they were working on new procedures which would include that.

Motion: To Approve
Initiated By: Chris Judd
Seconded By: Aly Cline

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None
Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

16. Presentation and discussion pertaining to an update on Sober Living Homes.

Lloyd came to ask for the item to be continued.

Motion: To Continue
Initiated By: Aly Cline
Seconded By: Nick Haney

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None
Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

I. Other Business and Future Agenda Items

Councilmember Cline, asked if Community Development and Econ Development could do a workshop about existing commercial properties and how they are zoned, specifically infilled zones? Councilmember Duffy seconded the request.

J. City Council Reports

Councilmember Haney, talked about his meeting at Asante Library. He talked about going to the League of Cities.

Councilmember Cline, talked about the League of Cities event as well. Her next meetings are September 26th at 10:00 AM at the grand in the Aqua Fria Room, and 29th AZ traditions in the ballroom with updates for the bond and water issues.

Vice-Mayor Judd, talked about League of Cities and the City's involvement at the event. He talked about his community Meetings. Next meeting is in two weeks on Wednesday.

Councilmember Hastings said his next meeting is at Surprise Library at 5:00 PM. The following month at 6 PM on the second Tuesday of October and will have staff there to answer questions about the bond. He gave a shout out to City Staff.

Councilmember Remley, talked about the last couple of weeks. He said that this month his meeting will be moving to Sun Village on September 28th at 6:00 PM. He said that staff will be presenting about the bond measuring coming out at the upcoming meetings. He further talked about child safety within the community.

Councilmember Duffy, shared his experience at the league of cities event. He thanked Spencer's place for hosting his last event.

Mayor Hall, talked about the City's staff involvement at the League of Cities and how great they were. He talked about the Day of Service event at Saint Mary's Food Bank next Wednesday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

K. Executive Session

1. Executive Session Items

2. Executive Disclaimer - Part 1

3. Executive Disclaimer - Part 2

4. Executive Disclaimer - Part 3

L. Adjournment

Motion: To Adjourn

Initiated By: Jack Hastings

Seconded By: Aly Cline

Yes: Ken Remley, Skip Hall, Nick Haney, Patrick Duffy, Aly Cline, Chris Judd, Jack Hastings
No: None

Abstain: None

Vote Result: Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 8:17 PM.

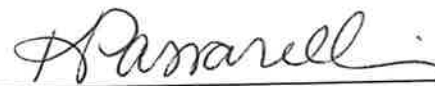

Skip Hall, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kristi Passarelli, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I, Kristi Passarelli, 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, September 5, 2023.


Kristi Passarelli, City Clerk