

CITY OF SURPRISE
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Tuesday, October 18, 2016 @ 06:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Mayor Wolcott called the **Regular City Council Meeting** to order at 06:00 p.m. Surprise City Hall Council Chamber 16000 North Civic Center Plaza Surprise, Arizona 85374 , on **Tuesday, October 18, 2016**. Also in attendance with Mayor Wolcott were Council Member Winters, Council Member Hayden, 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.

National Anthem by Brooklyn Ball, 5th grader at Legacy Traditions.

Pledge of Allegiance

Proclamation and Community Acknowledgements

A proclamation recognizing October as Disability Employment Awareness Month. Mayor Sharon Wolcott will present the proclamation to representatives from One Step Beyond, Benevilla and the City of Surprise Human Service & Community Vitality Department.

City Manager Report

Presentation and discussion pertaining to an update on the Bell and Grand construction project.

Economic Development Director, Jeanine Jerkovic gave an update on the Bell/Grand Project; there are 34 days to go before opening the overpass she announced events coming up for the area.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2016 – Page 2

Brock Barnhart, ADOT - Opening Bell Road on November 22nd, 2016, we are still on target.

Mike Gent, Public Works Director - MSE walls, are complete on the Bell Road approaches, there is significant progress on this project.

City Attorney Report

City Clerk Report

Election report

Consent Agenda

1 – Consideration and action on the Final Plat entitled, "Replat of Parcel 20-L, Surprise Village At West Point Towne Center", subdividing Parcel 20-L of Surprise Village at West Point Towne Center into two (2) parcels, Parcel 20-P and Parcel 20-Q, a property located north of Bell Road and east of Litchfield Road - APPROVED

2 – Consideration and action on the minutes of October 4, 2016 Special City Council Meeting; Regular Work Session and Regular City Council Meeting - APPROVED

Council Member Winters made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Six yes votes, one vacancy (District 2). Motion carried.

Regular Agenda Item - Non-Public Hearing

3 – Consideration and action to appoint Jim Hayden to serve the remainder of the term for District 2 Councilmember due to resignation with a term expiration of December 31, 2016, and direct the City Clerk to issue the Oath of Office - APPROVED

Council Member Tande made the motion to approve the appointment of Jim Hayden to serve the remainder of the term for District 2 Council Member due to resignation with a term expiration of December 31, 2016 and direct the City Clerk to issue the Oath of Office. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Six yes votes, one vacancy (District 2). Motion carried.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2016 – Page 3

City Clerk Aguilar issued the Oath of Office for Council Member Hayden and joined Council on the dais.

4 – Consideration and action to appoint Dennis Bash and Gisele Norberg to fill two vacancies on the Planning & Zoning Commission with a term expiration of June 30, 2019 for both vacancies and direct City Clerk Aguilar to administer the Oath of Office - APPROVED

Council Member Winters made the motion to appoint Dennis Bash and Gisele Norberg to fill two vacancies on the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term expiration of June 30, 2019 and direct the City Clerk Aguilar to administer the Oath of Office. Council Member Hall seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Aguilar administered the Oath of Office for Dennis Bash.

5 – Consideration and action authorizing funding to Thunderbird Artists in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 and amending the budget for FY2017 Surprise Fine Art and Wine Festival as recommended by the Tourism Advisory Commission; Resolution #2016-127 - APPROVED

CRS Assistant Director, Donna Miller introduced DeAngelo Hall.

Council Member Winters - I thought this event was going to take place for 3 years, and now we are at year 5, what changed?

DeAngelo Hall - Year after year it has shown progress and the event is growing.

CRS Director, Mark Coronado - The Council has expressed an interest for more events, watched channel 12 news that listed events taking place throughout the valley. We need to invest in these types of events and activities. The Thunderbird Artists have come forward for the past 5 years asking for support, even though it was supposed to be self-sustaining, but still needs to grow. This is tourism bed tax revenue, and we ask you to support this event. Each year the stipend has decreased over time.

Mayor Wolcott - Do you have the year after year growth for Council to view?

Mr. Coronado - We are up to around 5,000 today, will draw more out of town visitors which will increase hotel and restaurant use.

Council Member Villanueva - These people will use our hotels and restaurants, and this will sustain the art show.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2016 – Page 4

Council Member Hall - The first show had around 40 artists, and a few food booths, now we have 72 artists and 14 food booths. The feedback was tremendously positive.

Council Member Williams made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-127. Council Member Villanueva seconded the motion. Six yes, votes, one no vote (Winters). Motion carried.

6 – Presentation and discussion on recording a blank petition to begin the process of annexing lands within a County island generally bound by the Acoma Drive to the north, Cactus Road to the South, 175th Avenue to the West and Cotton Lane to the East - NO ACTION

Community Development Director, Eric Fitzer gave a powerpoint overview regarding this item.

Mayor Wolcott - This is simply a cleanup of County islands within our City boundaries.

Council Member Williams - What if we wanted to go larger and to the North of Waddell, what would be the process? Sounds like we should move forward with what you have now, and look at the other areas off of Waddell, since the property owners have expressed interest in annexation in the past.

Council Member Winters - These County islands are a problem, particularly in my District, most residents think they are in the City, and they are not. When did you submit this report? What is the process?

Council Member Hall - I am really concerned about the parking issues for this area. Anything we can do to not have them parking in Sara Ann Ranch?

Council Member Tande - Would we be able to do an MOU with the County? I would like to start with that if possible. I would like to include the property to the North as well as a package deal. I am for whatever the easiest way is, so there is no confusion for the residents.

Council Member Williams - 175th Avenue, we are talking about homes for this area, what are the plans for this area? What does this look like in terms of traffic?

Other Business

Council Members Hall and Williams - requested a detailed plan of events for the Bell/Grand overpass opening for November 1st.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2016 – Page 5

Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor and Council attended and/or reported on the following:

Council Member Hall - Caliber Collision Grand Opening; Honda Grand Opening; send out congrats to the Water Resources Director, Terry Lowe - Outstanding Leadership Award.

Council Member Villanueva - Congratulate Mark and staff on the Fiesta this weekend, it was a very successful event, the residents enjoyed it. A week ago, Councilman Hall and myself bought pizzas for all the workers at Bell/Grand, 125 workers, they were very thankful.

Council Member Winters - Caliber Motors great event; Fiesta Event; Honda Grand Opening, huge project.

Council Member Williams - Next Wed., October 26th District 3 HOA Meeting - address common problems, issues, etc., Main topic for last meeting was parking.

Council Member Hayden - Absolutely stunned that I am here. Looking forward to serving on Council.

Mayor Wolcott - I think we all have been looking forward to progress in our City; events taking place with openings of new businesses, water campus, Council's education vision coming into focus; groundbreaking at Westmec. Mayor thanked our staff, trying to put together that last parcel of land was difficult, but couldn't have happened without their assistance. Mayor also thanked Mark for a very successful Fiesta Grande, this is a very important event for our community. Governor's Office sent a representative to honor our heritage.

Council Member Tande - Hall invited me on behalf of Terry Lowe, Gateway Community College and Water Resources - next Wed..

Council Member Hall made the motion to recess the regular city council meeting at 7:08 and enter into executive session. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. Motion carried.

Executive Session

7. Consideration and action to enter into executive session for discussions and consultation with staff in order to consider the City Council’s position and instruct staff regarding negotiations for the purchase of real property in the proximate vicinity of the Original Town Site.

8. Consideration and action to enter into executive session for discussions and consultation with staff in order to consider the City Council’s position and instruct staff regarding negotiations for the sale or lease of real property in the proximate vicinity of Surprise City Hall and Surprise Stadium pursuant to ARS 38-431.03(A)(7).

Adjournment

Council Member Hall made the motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting of October 18, 2016 at 7:42 PM. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. Seven yes votes. 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 Meeting of **Tuesday, October 18, 2016.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk