

DRAFT Minutes

Neighborhood Advisory Commission

March 4, 2020

Partial Legal Action Summary-IN PROCESS

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, in the Engineering and Transportation Conference Room, 31 E. 5th St., City Hall Garden Level, Tempe, Arizona.



(MEMBERS) Present: Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Kiyomi Kurooka, Melanie Larimer, Chris McCabe, Michael McLendon, Daniel Schugurensky and Zoe Stein (via phone).

(MEMBERS) Absent: Carol Shixue Hu, Richelle Miller

City Staff Present: Mark Day, Municipal Budget Director, 480-350-8697, mark_day@tempe.gov; Laura Kajfez, Neighborhood Services Specialist; Elizabeth Thomas, Neighborhood Services Specialist

Guests Present:
None.

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Chair Belec

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment

None.

Agenda Item 3 – Consideration of Minutes: February 5, 2020

Motion: Commissioner Garlid made a motion to approve the February 5, 2020 minutes as presented.

Second: Commissioner Harris

Result: *The motion passed with 12-0 vote.**

Commission Member Ayes: Hannah Moulton Belec, Maureen Eastty, Doreen Garlid, Diane Harden, Jana Lynn Granillo, Stephanie Greenfield, Barb Harris, Kiyomi Kurooka, Melanie Larimer, Chris McCabe, Michael McLendon and Zoe Stein (via phone).

Commission Members Absent: Carol Shixue Hu and Richelle Miller and *Daniel Schugurensky, who arrived right after the vote was taken and stayed through the remainder of the meeting.

Agenda Item 4 – Overview and input into Operating Budget (Fiscal Year 2020/2021) and Capital (CIP) Budget FY 2020/21 thru FY 2024/25, Municipal Budget Director Mark Day

Mark Day, who has served in the position of Municipal Budget Director for the past year, walked commission members through his Budget presentation. This presentation was included in the meeting packet materials and is the same one used for the three public Budget Forums. Mark listed the public involvement tools used to educate and encourage public participation in the process including the online budget tool, Tempe Today articles (water bill newsletter), three public forum meetings on different dates and times at three different locations, neighborhoods email list serve reminders, press releases, targeted postcards?, social media posts on facebook and nextdoor sites and solicited commission member input regarding the online Budget tool.

Staff inquired if commission members had tried out the tool, a link to the Budget page was forwarded to them in advance of the meeting with the Sunday, March 1 deadline noted. Commissioner Harden shared that she had tried out the tool and found it easy to use and that it makes you think. She then asked what Mark saw as the biggest funding gap?

Mark noted this is the same tool that City Council uses as an exercise and that like all budgets if you increase spending in one area, you need to cut back in another. He again emphasized the outreach which resulted in approximately 200 responses and shared his willingness to visit neighborhood or hoa meetings as a city budget guest speaker and/or asked how to further increase public awareness and participation whether online or at scheduled public meetings. Commissioner Stein remarked on the public's "civic knowledge gap" and Mark noted that the Budget tool had been publicized on the city website/Tempe forum? and remained open two to three months. Staff will verify timeframe.

In advance of the meeting, Mark had staff forward out two questions for commission members to think about after reviewing the budget presentation in the packet and perhaps trying out the budget tool.

- 1) What budget related information and resources would be useful to you as a commission member in performing your duties?
- 2) How do you think the City can improve on how it receives input from neighborhoods and residents on budget priorities?

**Comments and suggestions included:
FINAL MINUTES TO INCLUDE THIS INFO.**

**Agenda Item 5 – Neighborhood Award Nominations Group Review and Voting
FINAL MINUTES TO INCLUDE THIS INFO.**

**NEIGHBOR OF THE YEAR
PROPERTY BEAUTIFICATION
ALLEY UPKEEP**

Agenda Item 6 – Census 2020 Update
FINAL MINUTES TO INCLUDE THIS INFO.

Agenda Item 7 – Summary of Current Events by Zip Code Areas
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Agenda Item 8 – Proposed Future Agenda Items

Items proposed for the April 1, 2020 meeting include:
None discussed at meeting due to meeting time constraints.

Agenda Item 11 – Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:16p.m.

Prepared by: Elizabeth Thomas
Reviewed by: Shauna Warner