

GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SESSION
Council Chambers – Workshop Room
5850 West Glendale Avenue
January 3, 2006
1:30 p.m.

WORKSHOP SESSION

1. [COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS](#)
2. [FOLLOW-UP REPORT ON COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST](#)
3. [COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST](#)

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

This report allows the City Manager to update the City Council about issues raised by the public during Business from the Floor at previous Council meetings or to provide Council with a response to inquiries raised at previous meetings by Council members. The City Council may only acknowledge the contents to this report and is prohibited by state law from discussing or acting on any of the items presented by the City Manager since they are not itemized on the Council Workshop Agenda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. LEGAL MATTERS

A. The City Council will meet with the City Attorney for legal advice, discussion and consultation regarding the city’s position in pending and contemplated litigation, including settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation. (A.R.S. §§38-431.03 (A)(3)(4)).

2. PERSONNEL MATTERS

A. Various terms have expired on Boards and Commissions. The City Council will be discussing appointments involving the following Boards and Commissions. (A.R.S. §38-431.03 A.1)

1. Arts Commission
2. Aviation Advisory Commission
3. Board of Adjustment
4. Citizens Advisory Commission On Neighborhoods

5. Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee
6. Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission
7. Commission On Persons With Disabilities
8. Community Development Advisory Committee
9. Historic Preservation Commission
10. Housing Advisory Commission
11. Industrial Development Authority
12. Judicial Selection Advisory Board
13. Library Advisory Board
14. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
15. Personnel Board
16. Planning Commission
17. Public Safety Personnel Retirement System/Police Board
18. Risk Management/Worker's Compensation Trust Fund Board

Upon a public majority vote of a quorum of the City Council, the Council may hold an executive session, which will not be open to the public, regarding any item listed on the agenda but only for the following purposes:

- (i) **discussion or consideration of personnel matters (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1));**
- (ii) **discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(2));**
- (iii) **discussion or consultation for legal advice with the city's attorneys (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3));**
- (iv) **discussion or consultation with the city's attorneys regarding the city's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation, or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(4));**
- (v) **discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the city in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(5)); or**
- (vi) **discussing or consulting with designated representatives of the city in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(7)).**

Confidentiality Requirements Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (C)(D): Any person receiving executive session information pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 shall not disclose that information except to the Attorney General or County Attorney by agreement of the City Council, or as otherwise ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.



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Council Communication

Workshop Agenda

01/03/2006

Item No. 1

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ed Beasley, City Manager
PRESENTED BY: Deborah Mazoyer, Building Safety Director
Jon Froke, AICP, Planning Director

SUBJECT: [COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS](#)

Purpose

- Staff will present to City Council an overview of the improvements made to the development process that the Community Development Group worked on in 2005 and implemented on January 1, 2006.

Council Policies Or Goals Addressed

- The process improvements support Council goals of coordinating exceptional service delivery for citizens and customers.

Background

- In Summer 2005, Community Development, along with all other departments involved in the development process, began identifying areas where customer service could be improved.
- Four subcommittees were formed and each group focused on specific areas such as, Accountability, Expedited Plan Review, Front Counter Services, and Technology.
- The subcommittees recommended over two dozen improvements and all team members came to a consensus on the changes and the timeline for implementation. Improvements were recommended for improving communication with customers, revising plan review

times, increasing accountability for performance by city staff and our development customers, as well as streamlining processes.

- Some improvements that were developed with the Arena and Stadium were transferred to improve service to all customers.

Community Benefit

- Improvements will potentially shorten the length of time a project will spend in the development process and will improve communication with our development customers.

Direction/Policy Guidance

- This is a non-action item to provide information to the City Council.



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Item No. 2

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ed Beasley, City Manager

PRESENTED BY: Meaghan Ellsworth, Special Projects Administrator

SUBJECT: [FOLLOW-UP REPORT ON COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST](#)

Purpose

- This is a request for City Council to review and provide direction related to the following Council Items of Special Interest
 - Providing New Language on the City Entry Signs
 - Creation of a Stop Sign Education Program
 - Installation of Red Light Photo Enforcement Program
 - Restriction on Locations of Payday Loan Businesses
 - Providing Homeowner's Association with Notification of Building Permits
 - Beautification of Southeast Corner of 59th and Grand Avenues
 - Provision of a Temporary Public Art Program
 - Adoption of an Ordinance Controlling Sales of Pseudo-ephedrine

Background

- Council "Items of Special Interest" are discussed quarterly in workshop according to a Council procedural guideline adopted in Fall 2002.
- The attached memorandums provide brief assessments of topics identified by members of the Council at the October 4, 2005 workshop.

Previous Council/Staff Actions

- At the October 4, 2005 workshop, Mayor Scruggs requested staff to research what can be done at the municipal level to regulate payday loan establishments. This request came in light of Representative Nelson's comments that cities can control payday loan establishment locations and that the cities of Peoria and Avondale have both passed ordinances.
- Mayor Scruggs also requested that Glendale research the feasibility of establishing a process that notifies Homeowners' Associations whenever a building permit is requested.
- Councilmember Lieberman requested staff add, "Glendale – Home of Luke Air Force Base" on the city's entrance signs.
- Councilmember Martinez asked staff to investigate the implementation of photo radar. Councilmember Martinez also requested staff to research the development of an ordinance controlling the sale of pseudo-ephedrine. In addition, Councilmember Martinez suggested that staff focus on making improvements to the southeast corner of Grand and 59th Avenues.
- Councilmember Goulet suggested staff study the viability of a public art project for the downtown area as well as at various city facilities and shopping centers. In addition, Councilmember Goulet requested staff to research stronger enforcement of drivers running stop signs and developing a public safety campaign on the need to stop at stop signs.

Direction/Policy Guidance

Review and provide staff direction on:

- Providing New Language on the City Entry Signs
- Creation of a Stop Sign Education Program
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Item No. 3

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ed Beasley, City Manager

SUBJECT: **COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST**

Purpose

- This is the quarterly opportunity for City Council members to identify topics of interest they would like the City Manager to research and assess for placement on a future workshop agenda.

Council Policies Or Goals Addressed

- In Fall 2002, Council approved a procedural guideline allowing for topics of special interest to be identified quarterly.

Budget Impacts & Costs

- The initial assessment of each item requires staff time.

Direction/Policy Guidance

- Identify items of special interest that Council wants the City Manager to assess.