

City of Glendale Council Workshop & Executive Session Agenda

January 03, 2012 – 1:30 p.m.

Workshop meetings are telecast live at 1:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Repeat broadcasts are telecast the first and third week of the month – Wednesday at 3:00 p.m., Thursday at 1:00 p.m., Friday at 8:30 a.m., Saturday at 2:00 p.m., Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and Monday at 2:00 p.m. on Glendale Channel 11.

Welcome!

We are glad you have chosen to attend this City Council workshop. We hope you enjoy listening to this informative discussion. At these “study” sessions, the Council has the opportunity to review and discuss important issues, staff projects and future Council meeting agenda items. Staff is present to answer Council questions. Members of the audience may also be asked by the Council to provide input.

Form of Government

Glendale follows a Council-Manager form of government. Legislative policy is set by the elected City Council and administered by the Council-appointed City Manager.

The City Council consists of a Mayor and six Councilmembers. The Mayor is elected every four years by voters city-wide. Councilmembers hold four-year terms with three seats decided every two years. Each of the six Councilmembers represent one of the six electoral districts and are elected by the voters of their respective districts (see map on back).

Workshop Schedule

Council workshops are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Glendale Municipal Office Complex, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, Room B-3, lower level. The exact dates of workshops are scheduled by the City Council at formal Council meetings. The workshop agenda is posted at least 24 hours in advance.

Agendas may be obtained after 4:00 p.m. on the Friday before a Council meeting, at the City Clerk's Office in the Municipal Complex. The agenda and supporting documents are posted to the city's Internet web site, www.glendaleaz.com.

Executive Session Schedule

Council may convene in “Executive Session” to receive legal advice and discuss land acquisitions, personnel issues, and appointments to boards and commissions. As provided by state statute, this session is closed to the public.

Questions or Comments

If you have any questions or comments about workshop agenda items or your city government, please call the City Manager's Office at (623) 930-2870.

If you have a concern you would like to discuss with your District Councilmember, please call (623) 930-2249, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Public Rules of Conduct

The presiding officer shall keep control of the meeting and require the speakers and audience to refrain from abusive or profane remarks, disruptive outbursts, applause, protests, or other conduct which disrupts or interferes with the orderly conduct of the business of the meeting. Personal attacks on Councilmembers, city staff, or members of the public are not allowed. Engaging in such conduct, and failing to cease such conduct upon request of the presiding officer will be grounds for removal of any disruptive person from the meeting room, at the direction of the presiding officer.

Citizen Participation

The City Council does not take official action during workshop sessions; therefore, audience comments on agenda items are made only at the request of the presiding officer.



**** For special accommodations or interpreter assistance, please contact the City Manager's Office at (623) 930-2870 at least one business day prior to this meeting. TDD (623) 930-2197.**

**** Para acomodacion especial o traductor de español, por favor llame a la oficina del administrador del ayuntamiento de Glendale, al (623) 930-2870 un día hábil antes de la fecha de la junta.**

Councilmembers

Norma S. Alvarez - Ocotillo District
H. Philip Lieberman - Cactus District
Manuel D. Martinez - Cholla District
Joyce V. Clark - Yucca District
Yvonne J. Knaack – Barrel District



MAYOR ELAINE M. SCRUGGS

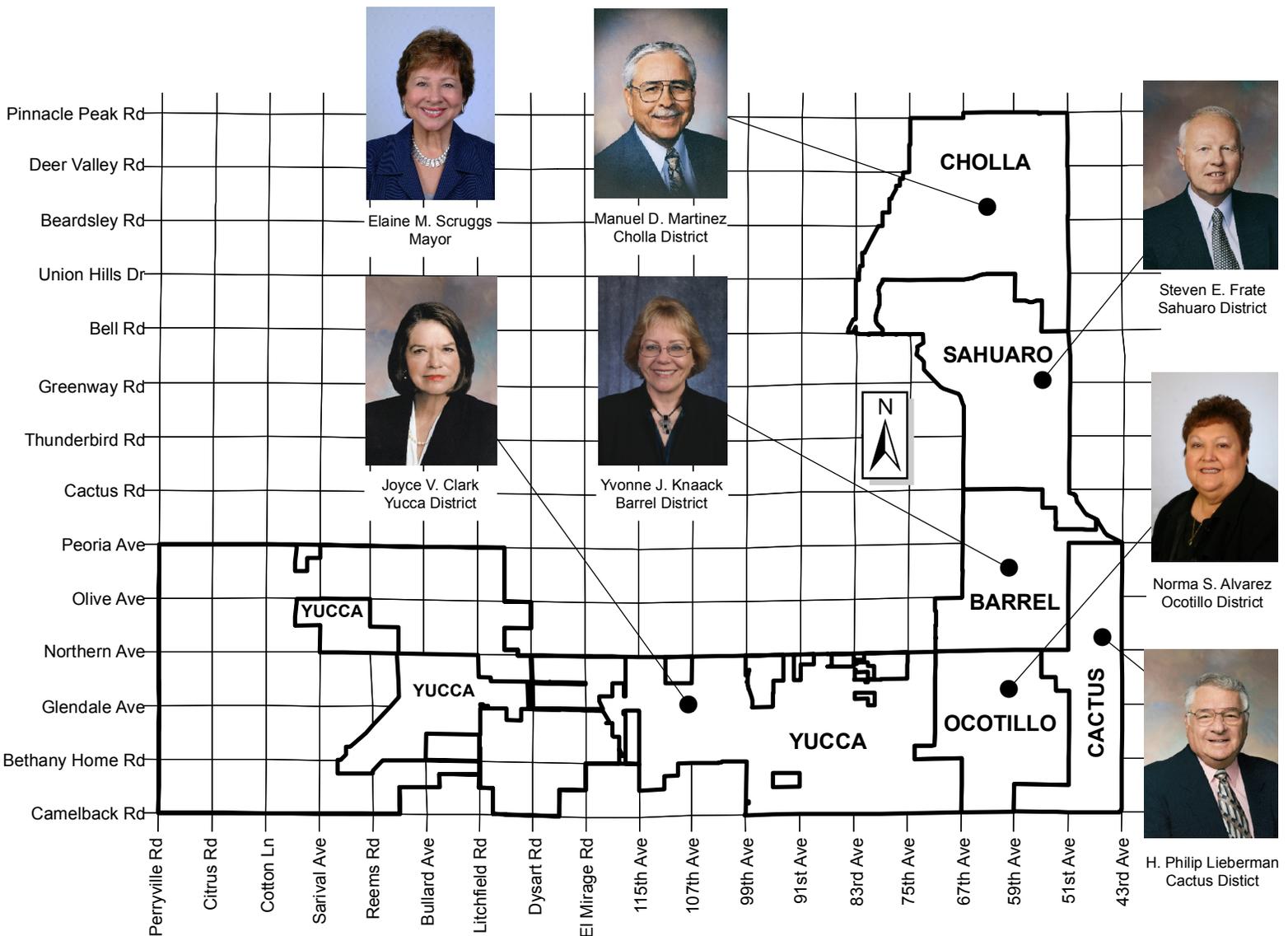
Vice Mayor Steven E. Frate - Sahuaro District

Appointed City Staff

Ed Beasley – City Manager
Craig Tindall – City Attorney
Pamela Hanna – City Clerk
Elizabeth Finn – City Judge



Council District Boundaries





GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SESSION
Council Chambers – Workshop Room
5850 West Glendale Avenue
January 03, 2012
1:30 p.m.

WORKSHOP SESSION

1. [2012 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE](#)

PRESENTED BY: Brent Stoddard, Intergovernmental Programs Director
Jenna Goad, Intergovernmental Programs Administrator
Ryan Peters, Intergovernmental Programs Administrator

2. [DEBT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND REFINANCING OPTIONS](#)

PRESENTED BY: Art Lynch, SRJ Government Consultants, LLC
Sherry Schurhammer, Executive Director, Financial Services
Diane Goke, Finance Director

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. PERSONNEL MATTERS

A. The City Council will meet with the City Manager to discuss a time frame for retirement from the position of City Manager. (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1))

B. Various terms have expired on boards, commissions and other bodies. The City Council will be discussing appointments involving the following boards, commissions and other bodies. (A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1))

1. Arts Commission
2. Aviation Advisory Commission
3. Board of Adjustment
4. Citizen Bond Election Committee
5. Citizens Advisory Commission On Neighborhoods
6. Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee
7. Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission
8. Commission On Persons With Disabilities
9. Community Development Advisory Committee
10. Glendale Municipal Property Corporation
11. Historic Preservation Commission
12. Industrial Development Authority
13. Judicial Selection Advisory Board
14. Library Advisory Board
15. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
16. Personnel Board
17. Planning Commission
18. Public Safety Personnel Retirement System/Fire Board
19. Public Safety Personnel Retirement System/Police Board
20. Risk Management/Worker's Compensation Trust Fund Board
21. Western Loop101 Public Facilities Corporation

2. LEGAL MATTERS – PROPERTY & CONTRACTS

A. Discussion and consultation with the City Attorney and City Manager to receive an update, consider its position and provide instruction and direction to the City Attorney and City Manager regarding Glendale's position in connection with agreements associated with the Arena and the Hockey Team, which are the subject of negotiations. (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)(4)(7))

3. 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))

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.



CITY OF GLENDALE

Council Communication

Workshop Agenda

01/03/2012

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ed Beasley, City Manager

PRESENTED BY: Brent Stoddard, Intergovernmental Programs Director
Jenna Goad, Intergovernmental Programs Administrator
Ryan Peters, Intergovernmental Programs Administrator

SUBJECT: **2012 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Purpose

- This is a request for City Council to review and provide guidance on the proposed 2012 state legislative agenda and to give a legislative update.
- The Intergovernmental Programs staff recommends prioritizing the state legislative agenda to a few key issues to allow the city to have a stronger, more consistent message on the items of greatest priority. The proposed key priority issues for consideration are described in the attached reports.

Council Strategic Goals or Key Objectives Addressed

- The 2012 state legislative agenda includes policy statements intended to protect and enhance the quality of life for Glendale residents by maintaining local decision-making authority.
- Throughout the 2012 legislative session, policy direction will be sought on proposed statutory changes which fall under the adopted Council policy statements relating to the financial stability of the city, public safety issues, promoting economic development, managing growth and preserving neighborhoods.

Background

- Prior to each legislative session, the Intergovernmental Programs staff seeks Council adoption of the city's state legislative agenda. The legislative agenda defines the city's priorities for the upcoming session and will guide the city's lobbying activities at the Arizona

State Legislature. The Intergovernmental Programs staff will update Council on a regular basis throughout the session for guidance on bills and amendments that may be introduced. The city's legislative agenda is a flexible document and may change, based on activities at the Legislature and Council direction.

- The 50th Legislature's Second Regular Session will begin on Monday, January 9, 2012.

Community Benefit

- The key principles of the proposed state legislative agenda are to preserve and enhance the city's ability to deliver quality and cost-effective services to citizens and visitors; address quality of life issues for Glendale residents; enhance Council's ability to serve the community by retaining local decision-making authority; and to maintain state legislative and voter commitments for revenue sources.

Policy Guidance

Staff is requesting Council to provide policy guidance on the proposed City of Glendale 2012 state legislative agenda.



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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ed Beasley, City Manager

PRESENTED BY: Art Lynch, SRJ Government Consultants, LLC
Sherry Schurhammer, Executive Director, Financial Services
Diane Goke, Finance Director

SUBJECT: [DEBT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND REFINANCING OPTIONS](#)

Purpose

- This is a request for City Council to review the city's debt management plan and provide guidance on the Municipal Property Corporation's (MPC) refinancing options and the Water and Sewer refunding options.

Council Strategic Goals or Key Objectives Addressed

- This request supports Council's goal of one community that is fiscally sound by having a strategic debt management plan and taking advantage of debt refinancing and refunding opportunities in the current markets.

Background

- The city can issue various types of debt with differing resources by which that debt can be repaid. The following are the types of debt the city has outstanding and the resources used to repay that debt:
 - Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) bonds payable from HURF funds
 - Transportation Excise bonds payable from the transportation sales tax
 - MPC bonds payable from General Fund excise taxes
 - Public Facility Corporation (PFC) bonds payable from General Fund excise taxes
 - General Obligation (GO) bonds payable from the secondary property taxes
 - Water and Sewer Revenue bond/obligations payable from user charges in the Water and Sewer fund

- Lease Obligations payable from the General Fund of the City
- The city uses these various types of debt to finance the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) of the city, which the Council approves as part of budget every year. The City Capital Project Investments list identifies projects that have been completed over the past 11 years using financing options and cash. The list indicates that 85% of the projects were financed with the city's debt; the remaining projects were financed using PayGo.
- During the budget workshop sessions for FY 2011-12, Council was notified that the city's outstanding debt would be examined in order to explore different restructuring options that may be available to the city. Through this process staff found two restructuring options available to the city at this time:
 - MPC restructuring of 2003A, 2004A, and 2006A series
 - Refunding of a portion of the 2003 and 2006 Water and Sewer revenue obligation bonds
- By moving forward with these options, staff anticipates a savings to the General Fund in an estimated amount of \$5 million per year for the next three years; and a savings to the Enterprise Fund in an estimated amount of \$2.5 million per year over the next three years.

Previous Council/Staff Actions

- The restructuring plan for the MPC bonds was presented to and approved by the MPC Board on December 8, 2011.
- On May 24, 2011, Council approved the refinancing of the city's lease obligations.

Community Benefit

- The city's General Fund provides for the daily operations of the city for services such as public safety, transportation, parks, and libraries. By restructuring the MPC bonds, the amount transferred from the General Fund for MPC debt payments will reduce, thus relieving the city's operating budget during the sluggish economy.
- The city's Water Services Department provides clean and safe drinking water for the community by charging user fees to cover daily operations and infrastructure costs. Refunding the Water and Sewer Revenue bonds will continue to keep those user fees at the lowest levels possible.

Policy Guidance

Staff is seeking guidance from Council on the debt management plan and restructuring options available to the city.