

**QUALITY OF LIFE AD HOC COMMITTEE MINUTES  
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA  
PINNACLE PEAK PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING  
23100 NORTH LAKE PLEASANT ROAD, PEORIA, ARIZONA**

**MARCH 30, 2016**

A Meeting of the Quality of Life Ad Hoc Committee of the City of Peoria, Arizona, convened at the Pinnacle Peak Public Safety Building, 23100 North Lake Pleasant Road, Peoria, AZ in open and public session at 6:07 p.m.

**Members Present:** Chair Former Mayor John Keegan; Vice Chair Kirk Haines; and Committee Members Dave Allsop, Clay Allsop, John Auckland, Jack Fletcher, Dennis Grenier, Robert Hall, Michael Higgins, Ken Krieger, Scott Lekan, Kim Price Olsen, Howard Openlander, Joe Pfeiff, Franklin Schiller, Kathy Senseman, Gene Sweeney and Christian Williams.

**Members Absent:** Secretary Eva Osuna, Ian Dowdy, MJ Johnson, Ron Lyzniak and Barry Spiegel.

**Others Present:** Jeff Tyne, Deputy City Manager; Linda Blas, Deputy City Clerk; Chris Jacques, Planning and Community Development Director; Bo Larsen, Public Information Director; Roy Minter, Police Chief; Bobby Ruiz, Fire Chief; Tammy Shreeve, Strategic Management Officer and John Sefton, Community Services Director.

**Audience:** Approximately five members of the public were present.

**Note:** The order in which items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed in the meeting.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Welcome**

Chairperson Keegan welcomed the Quality of Life Committee members and outlined the meeting agenda and scope of the Committee.

2. **Minutes**

Tammy Shreeve, Strategic Management Officer, informed that the minutes would need to be modified to reflect the motion was made by Secretary Osuna to approve the minutes of the Quality of Life Ad Hoc Committee meetings held on January 20, 2016 and February 3, 2016.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Quality of Life Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on March 2, 2016 with the modification as outlined was made by Committee Member Franklin Schiller, and seconded by Committee Member Kathy Senseman. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3. **Peoria Leadership Institute**

Bo Larsen, Public Information Director, presented on the Peoria Leadership Institute and provided a schedule for the Spring 2016 class. Mr. Larsen informed the committee that the Institute is an outreach and orientation program that provides an in-depth look at City government and offers an opportunity for citizens to meet City staff and elected officials.

4. **Public Safety Presentation**

Bobby Ruiz, Fire Chief, provided an overview of the Peoria Fire-Medical Department. Information included:

- Fire-Medical Department organization and key functions
- Emergency medical calls by type
  - Advanced life support
  - Basic life support
- Automatic aid response system
- Alternative response vehicles
- Advanced life support crews
- Peoria's Fire-Medical ambulance service
- Coverage at Lake Pleasant

Roy Minter, Police Chief, provided an overview of the Peoria Police Department. Information included:

- Police Department organization and key functions
- Staffing levels
- Approach to policing
  - Community partnerships
  - Predictive policing
  - Use of technology
- Urbanizing undeveloped areas of the city
- Keeping up with population growth
- Crime statistics
- Staffing versus calls for service
- Neighborhood partnerships going forward
- Additional park ranger positions

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Possible projects
- Funding for projects
- Funding sources and alternatives
- Current funding means
- Review of projects proposed by staff regarding recreation, open space and public safety

In response to questions from the Committee, Jeff Tyne, Deputy City Manager advised that costs associated with the proposed projects can be provided to the Committee members.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Council priorities
- Scope and mission of the Committee
- Long-term plan for the Grand Avenue corridor
- Distressed properties and property abatement
- Establishing a standing Quality of Life Committee
- Changes for the future in the desert environment
- Water supply

Ms. Shreeve confirmed that information regarding Peoria's water resources would be provided to the Committee members.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Open space
- Open space in southern Peoria
- Role of the Planning and Zoning Commission
- The City's role in planning
- Recreation center in northern Peoria
- Transportation
- Public input

Chairperson Keegan suggested the Committee formalize their thoughts and forward the information to Ms. Shreeve.

## 5. **Meeting Schedule**

Tammy Shreeve, Strategic Management Officer, informed that the next meeting of the Quality of Life Committee will be held on April 13<sup>th</sup> in the Point of View Room at the Development and Community Services Building.

**Call to the Public (Non-Agenda Items):** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Being no further business to come before the Quality of Life Ad Hoc Committee, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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Eva Osuna, Secretary

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Rhonda Geriminsky, City Clerk

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