

**COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ON
COMMUNITY CULTURE and PUBLIC SAFETY
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
Ironwood Conference Room
November 15, 2012**

A meeting of the **Council Subcommittee on Community Culture and Public Safety** for the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened by Chairman Joan Evans in open and public session at 8401 West Monroe Street, Peoria, Arizona, on November 15, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Councilmember Joan Evans, Councilmember Ron Aames, and Councilmember Carlo Leone.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Carl Swenson, City Manager; Steve Kemp, City Attorney; Jeff Tyne, Budget Director; John Sefton, Community Services Director; Bill Mattingly, Public Works Director; Roy Minter, Police Chief; Jay Davies, Neighborhood Services Manager; Briana Decker, Council Assistant; and Ellen Comella, Executive Assistant.

Audience: No 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

1 MINUTES:

Motion was made by Councilmember Leone, seconded by Councilmember Aames, to approve the Subcommittee minutes from the September 10, 2012 meeting. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 3 to 0.

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS:

2 Roadside Memorials

Discussion ensued regarding the possible action to recommend approval for City Council to amend the current right-of-way management procedures as it relates to roadside memorials.

Upon further discussion, it was determined that the Public Works Department currently maintains roadside memorials, and has the ability to remove the signs when appropriate. Councilmember Evans and Councilmember Leone agreed that the policy

and procedures should remain as they are. Councilmember Aames would like to bring this item forward to full City Council Study Session. Without a second, the policy remains as is.

3 **Dirt Ordinance**

Discussion ensued regarding the possible action to recommend approval for City Council to develop an ordinance that addresses dirt piles and the removal of palm fronds.

It was determined that the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) and PM10 already address dirt piles. In relation to the removal of palm fronds, current City Code requires that dead vegetation be removed, although it does not address how to and how often trees must be maintained.

Motion was made by Councilmember Leone, seconded by Councilmember Aames to leave the policies as they are. Upon vote, the motion carried 3 to 0.

4 **Residential Parking**

Discussion ensued regarding the possible action to recommend approval for City Council to review the current ordinance as it relates to parking in front of a residential property.

It was determined that the Police Department can respond to abandoned vehicles left on public streets, under ARS 28-4801. Vehicles that are not abandoned and are parked lawfully on public streets, regardless of whether they are parked in front of a private property, are not in violation of any ordinance or law. The Subcommittee agreed that the current process allows the Police Department to determine whether a parking violation exists and enforce as necessary. Arizona State Revised Statutes may only be enforced by Police Officers, not Code Enforcement.

Motion was made by Councilmember Leone, seconded by Councilmember Aames to bring this item forward to full City Council Study Session, to discuss the creation of a City Ordinance that is parallel to ARS 28-4801, which would allow City Code Enforcement Officers the ability to enforce violations, in conjunction with Police Officers. Upon vote, the motion carried 3 to 0.

5 **Future Agenda Topics and Next Meeting Date**

No future agenda topics pending.

Reports from Staff:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council Subcommittee, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Chairperson

Briana Decker, Council Assistant