

CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
Vantage Room
Thursday January 14, 2010

A **Regular Meeting** of the ***Economic Development Advisory Board*** of the City of Peoria, Arizona, was convened by Chair, Jack Lytle in open and public session at 9875 N. 85th Ave., Peoria, AZ 85345 at 12:04 p.m.

Members Present: Jack, Lytle, Shelley Bade, Keith Dines, Jay Cross, Curt Smith, David Bentler, and Joe Hull

Members Absent: Russ Ullinger

Municipal Officials Present: Scott Whyte – Economic Development Services Director, Susan Daluddung – Deputy City Manager, Vicky Hunt – Council Member, Brent Mattingly – Finance Director, Dennis Marks – Building Development Manager, Maria Laughner – Acting Economic Development Manager, Rebecca Zook – Site Development Supervisor, Kelly Corsette – Public Information Officer, Terri Smith – Council Assistant, and Ellen Van Riper – City Attorney.

CONSENT AGENDA

Disposition of Absence: Discussion and possible action to excuse absent members Jack Lytle and Russ Ullinger from the December 10, 2009 meeting.

Minutes: Approval of minutes from the December 10, 2009 meeting.

Motion was made by Curt Smith, seconded by David Bentler to approve minutes and excuse absences. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS:

3R – Scott Whyte gave an update on the selection process for the Economic Development Implementation Strategy. The focus of the EDIS is to develop a roadmap for economic development in the city of Peoria with respect to business attraction, business retention, redevelopment, workforce development, and small business.

4R – Scott Whyte gave an update on Peoria's university recruitment efforts noting that a recruiter had been retained to attend a conference on university presidents and that person came back with 6 leads. To date, all 29 leads have been contacted and 2 will be visiting the city to tour sites in the coming months.

5R – Scott Whyte gave an update on progress the department was making on the development of the Commercial Rehabilitation Program. The parameters of the program are being developed, some preliminary designs have been drawn up, and a contractor is working with the department to develop a cost estimate.

6R – Scott Whyte gave an update on the Peoria Sports Complex Improvements noting

that a small amount of CIP money had been allocated to such improvements and that the department was working on developing a theme for the area.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

A. There were no updates from staff.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business to come before the *Economic Development Advisory Board*, the meeting was duly adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Jack Lytle, Chairman

Submitted by: _____
Debbie Pearson, Executive Assistant