

MINUTES OF THE PEORIA CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
PINE ROOM, CITY HALL
May 31, 2011

A **Special Meeting and Study Session** of the City Council of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 8401 West Monroe Street in open and public session at 5:01 p.m.

Following a moment of silent reflection, Councilmember Evans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Mayor Bob Barrett; Vice Mayor Cathy Carlat; Councilmembers Ron Ames, Joan Evans, Carlo Leone, Dave Pearson and Tony Rivero.

Members Absent: None

Other Municipal Officials Present: Carl Swenson, City Manager; Susan Daluddung, Deputy City Manager; Susan Thorpe, Deputy City Manager; Steve Kemp, City Attorney; Wanda Nelson, City Clerk; Katie Gregory, Interim Management and Budget Director; Scott Whyte, Economic Development Services Director; Sherine Zaya, Interim Public Information Manager; Claudia Luján, Assistant to the City Manager.

Audience: Approximately 12 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

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1C Authorization to Hold an Executive Session

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03: Authorized the holding of an Executive Session for the purpose of discussion with Legal Counsel for legal advice pertaining to the City's position on a proposed Economic Development Incentive and Investment Agreement pursuant to the City's Economic Development Incentive and Investment Policy (EDIIP) with an undesignated applicant that proposes to establish a commercial business operation in the vicinity of Vistancia Boulevard and the Loop 303. (Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4)).

Mayor Barrett stated that the only item on the Consent Agenda is authorization to go into Executive Session. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Carlat, seconded by Councilmember Leone, to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Subjects for Discussion Only:

Presentation on the Peoria Medical Device Incucelerator

Scott Whyte, Economic Development Services Director, noted that this item was presented to Council at its May 3rd meeting. Three models were discussed: incubator, virtual accelerator, and accelerator to incubator. Mary Ann Guerrara and Sharon Harper with BioAccel presented their recommended option of a full-service incubator. The incubator would be located in a 6,800 square-foot building at Plaza del Rio that would house office and medical research activities. Ms. Harper noted that this would be an investment for the City that would focus on medical devices and create jobs. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with "Option A" that was presented at the May 3rd meeting. Council would also like a future study session to discuss Economic Development priorities.

REGULAR AGENDA

2R Redistricting

At three public meetings, the City has presented six concept maps prepared by the City's redistricting consultant, National Demographics Corporation. Hundreds of comments have been received from the public on the six concepts. Steve Kemp, City Attorney, reviewed the request from Councilmember Aames for Council to consider the addition of a map that would maintain all council members in their existing districts. Discussion ensued about the addition of the maps. Motion was made by Councilmember Aames, seconded by Councilmember Pearson, to direct staff to have the consultant prepare three additional redistricting maps where no two Council members are drawn into the same district, all Council members are left in their current districts, and the three communities of interest of West Brookvillage, Ventana Lakes, and Desert Harbor are kept in tact in at least two of the maps. Upon vote, the motion passed 4 to 3 with Mayor Barrett, Vice Mayor Carlat, and Councilmember Evans voting no.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Bob Barrett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wanda Nelson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct summary of the proceedings of the Special Meeting and Study Session of the City Council of Peoria, Arizona held on the 23rd day of May, 2011. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 21st day of June, 2011.

(Seal)

Wanda Nelson, City Clerk