

MINUTES OF THE PEORIA CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
PINE ROOM, CITY HALL
JULY 7, 2009

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 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Bob Barrett; Vice Mayor Joan Evans; Councilmembers Ron Aames, Cathy Carlat, Vicki Hunt, Carlo Leone and Dave Pearson.

Members Absent: None

Other Municipal Officials Present: Carl Swenson, City Manager; Susan Daluddung, Deputy City Manager; Susan Thorpe, Deputy City Manager; Steve Burg, Chief Assistant City Attorney; Mary Jo Kief, City Clerk; J.P. de la Montaigne, John Imig, Rocky Smith, Jeff Tyne, Glen Van Nimwegen, and Claudia Luján.

Audience: Approximately nine 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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CONSENT – New Business:

Motion was made by Councilmember Hunt, seconded by Councilmember Aames, to authorize the holding of an Executive Session for the purpose of discussion and consultation with legal counsel and designated representatives of the public body pertaining to contract negotiations with employee organizations.

Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Note: Executive Session was held after the adjournment of the 4:00 p.m. Special City Council Special Meeting and Study Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business to come before the Council on the Consent Agenda, Mayor Barrett adjourned the Special Meeting at 4:01 p.m.

Mayor Barrett convened the **Study Session Meeting** of the City Council of the City of Peoria, Arizona at 8401 West Monroe Street in open and public session at 4:01 p.m.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Subjects for Discussion Only:

1. Old Town Peoria Revitalization Plan Update

Glen Van Nimwegen, Community Development Director, introduced Judy Scalise, an economic market analyst, to discuss the economics of the downtown area; Lorelle Cappel, project manager with Pacific Municipal Consultants, to discuss the project components; Rob Gubser, Senior Planner, and Chris Jacques, Planning Manager.

Mr. Gubser outlined the agenda for the presentation regarding the Old Town Peoria Revitalization Plan.

Ms. Cappel recapped the project components including the guiding principles and land use, circulation, and design plans. Ms. Cappel advised Council that a key element to revitalizing Old Town Peoria is connectivity.

Ms. Scalise provided an economic analysis of residential, office and retail land use categories. Based on current market conditions and population projections, the results showed there is an opportunity for growth through 2020. Ms. Scalise reported the City needs to create more housing and opportunities for people to live and work within the area.

Ms. Cappel previewed concepts of Grand Avenue, the promenade and Osuna Park.

Mr. Gubser concluded the presentation with an outline of the next steps in the process:

- July/August -
 - Draft Revitalization Plan for Staff Review
- September –
 - 3D Animation Presentation and Implementation Strategies
- October –
 - Revitalization Plan for adoption

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2. Discussion on the definition of Commercial Vehicles

Steve Kemp, City Attorney, provided a PowerPoint presentation as follow up to a change to the City Code related to modifying the City's regulations pertaining to commercial vehicle parking in a rear yard that was proposed at the July 16, 2009, City Council Meeting.

Mr. Kemp supplied definitions of gross vehicle weight rating, chassis rating and truck classes which are standards used throughout the country in regulating trucks.

Mr. Kemp included specifications of various trucks and their actual weight as rated by the manufacturer. Mr. Kemp confirmed that the only proposed change in the code is to address the issue of parking commercial vehicles in the rear yard of residential properties.

Discussion ensued on the size, weight and height of vehicles and possible solutions regarding visual blight created by parking commercial vehicles in a back yard.

It was a consensus of the Council for staff to present different options, including reports based on other City's approach to the problem, at a future Study Session Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business to come before the Council, the Study Session meeting was duly adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Bob Barrett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Jo Kief, City Clerk

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting and Study Session of the City Council of Peoria, Arizona held on the 7th day of July, 2009. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 25th day of August, 2009.

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Mary Jo Kief, City Clerk