

Work Session Minutes
March 10, 2015

1. Mayor Mueller called the work session to order at 4:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1011 N. Coronado Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Mayor Mueller announced that Council Members Ash, Calhoun, Gray and Huisking are not present because they are at the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, D.C.

Present:

Mayor Rick Mueller – present
Mayor Pro Tem Bob Blanchard – present
Council Member Alesia Ash – absent
Council Member Gwen Calhoun – absent
Council Member Rachel Gray – absent
Council Member Hank Huisking – absent
Council Member Craig Mount – present

Others present:

Chuck Potucek, City Manager
Don Brush, AICP, Director, Department of Community Development
Tina Moore, Planner
Jill Adams, City Clerk
Pam, Management Analyst

2. Presentation and Discussion:

- A. March 12, 2015 Council Meeting Agenda Items (agenda attached)

Consent Agenda – no changes needed

Item 3 - Resolution 2015-021, Development Agreement with Northeast Highway 90-92 Limited Partnership Developing Mattress Firm

Mr. Brush stated that this is being proposed by the majority owner of the plaza that includes Target, Northeast Highway 90-92 Limited Partnership Developing Mattress Firm. This is a new retail outlet 42 square feet building located north of the Genecology Center. It was a challenging site for the developer because of setbacks, site constraints and the number of easements running through the property. As they tried to site the retail outlet it became apparent that the only way to do it was to encroach on the twenty foot side yard setback. The setbacks are measured on the front from either Highway 90 or Charleston. It is a 20 foot side yard setback and they requested five feet of that to be allowed to be built on.

In return for that concession, they are willing to provide the City with a better connection to the multi-use path from the sidewalk along Highway 90. Also an interconnection stripped pathway to the Target store in order to make it safe for the people to walk back and forth and a pedestrian amenity in the form of a bench in the front of the building.

Mayor Mueller inquired about the sidewalk and voiced his concerns with a way of alerting people about the crossing on the curb because it is going to be a change in traffic.

Mr. Brush stated that the concern is valid as he has parked in the area and cars are driving around fast. He does not see a lot of people making that connect and he thinks that they will.

In response to Mayor Mueller, Mr. Brush explained that there is no signage, it is just a stripped aisle on the asphalt itself that will provide some improvement as to what is currently out there.

In response to Council Member Mount, Mr. Brush stated that the right of Highway 90 is a two lane road and will remain unchanged as a result of the proposal. This will still be a crossing and has been a multi-use path and sidewalk for a number of years.

In response to Council Member Mount reference the map, Mr. Brush stated that the ownership will not affect the pavement.

B. Discussion of City Manager Staff Meeting Minutes – there were no comments.

C. Report on Recent Trips, Meetings and Future Meetings

Mayor Mueller stated that he, the city manager and the Huachuca 50 president went to Washington, D.C.; attended as the mayor and chair of the MPO with the County as they were looking at options which roads will be used for the extension of BST to the east of Moson Road. There was a good briefing from the engineer and the TAC will be meeting and then come through the MPO for a route recommendation and then there will be an environmental assessment so the transportation planning process continues.

Council Member Mount reported on County Supervisor Call's presentation on the Upper San Pedro Partnership and the important of preserving the Upper San Pedro River; over the weekend at Veterans' Memorial Park, he meet with the facilitator of Tony's Board Shop and that there has been an 80% reduction in incidents at the Skate Park since he has been present.

D. Board and Commission Liaison Update - There were none.

E. Future Discussion Items and Council Requests

Mr. Potucek announced the upcoming work session on March 18th at 3:30 for a report on the NLC Conference and Mr. Mount's request for an Economic Development Commission.

3. Adjourn

Mayor Mueller adjourned the work session at 4:17 p.m.

Mayor Frederick W. Mueller

Minutes prepared by:

Attest:

Maria G. Marsh, Deputy Clerk

Jill Adams, City Clerk