

Minutes Neighborhood Advisory Commission October 1, 2008

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) held on October 1, 2008, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Apache Boulevard Police Substation Community Room, 1855 East Apache Boulevard, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present: Erik Anthony Aldrete, Tom Catlaw, Don Calender, Pete De Mott, Andy Hall, Kevin Kaesberg, Ira King, Alex Podressoff, Lisa Roach, Jeffrey Sheppard, William Wagner, Michael Wasko.

(MEMBERS) Excused Absences: Greg Ellison, Susan Knudson, Joe Pospicil, John Sanborn, Jason Short, Woody Wilson

City Staff Present: Mary Helen Giustizia, Solid Waste Supervisor, 480-350-8151, maryhelen_giustizia@tempe.gov; Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Services Director, Elizabeth Thomas, Neighborhood Services Specialist

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chair Kaesberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. without a quorum

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment

There was none.

Agenda Item 3 – Consideration of Minutes: September 3, 2008 meeting

A quorum was reached at 5:35 p.m. The September 3, 2008 minutes were considered for approval. Commissioner Calender moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 4 – City Recycling Efforts

Mary Helen Giustizia gave an overview of the City's expanding recycling efforts and programs for residents and at City buildings. The City has increased the number of neighborhood drop off recycling sites to six. These sites are one way for residents of multi-family communities that do not have onsite recycling to participate. Since April 2008, 20 complexes have been added bringing the total served to 36 representing over 3,000 units.

The City also hosts and participates in a number of recycling related events to educate residents on the importance of recycling and what can be recycled. Plastic items #1-7 are now accepted in blue recycling bins and many special events now feature modified blue containers with special openings that accept only soda cans and water bottles to encourage recycling by event participants. A Green Waste Pilot Program is also being researched and explored as 60% of the monthly pickups for uncontained trash are made up of green waste such as grass and plant clippings.

Popular recycling themed programs include twice annual Shred-A-Thons, the ongoing Nike Reuse A Shoe Program and the roll out of ERIC, a portable Education, Recycling Information Center designed to educate students on recycling principles and practices to instill the importance of recycling early.

Agenda Item 5 – Discussion of Potential Neighborhood Workshop Topics

The Outreach Commission met on September 23, 2008 and made a recommendation that Mr. Rypkema be the Neighborhood Workshop and Awards guest speaker. Commissioner Wagner made a motion to approve Mr. Rypkema as the Neighborhood Workshop and Awards guest speaker. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed with 11 ayes, 0 nays and 2 abstentions. The Commission suggested that the committee work with Mr. Rypkema to have him also teach a workshop. They also suggested indoor and outdoor static displays of other City departments, i.e. the Police and Fire Department.

Agenda Item 6– Discussion of the Neighbor of the Year Awards

This item was tabled.

Agenda Item 7 – Representation on Neighborhood Council Committees

The Mayor has identified six Council committees chaired by individual Councilmembers and 3 working committees chaired by the Mayor to work on various issues. Boards and Commissions were asked to review the committees and identify those that would be working on similar issues. The Neighborhood Commission will be represented by the following Commissioners at the following committee meetings:

Technology, Economic Development & Community Development Council Committee – Vice Chair Wasko.

Housing Council Committee – Commissioner Catlaw and/or Commissioner Hall.

Community Sustainability Working Committee – Commissioner Sheppard.

Quality of Life Working Committee – Chair Kaesberg; alternates, Commissioner Calender, Commissioner DeMott and Commissioner Roach.

Mill & Lake District Working Committee – Vice Chair Wasko

Agenda Item 8 – Update on Rental Housing Task Force Recommendations

This item was tabled.

Agenda Item 9 – Committee Reports

A. Codes Committee

The committee met September 24 and discussed the Loud Party Patrol and Code Compliance. It made recommendations on how to expand the Code Compliance website to staff. Minutes are attached as Attachment A.

B. Green/Sustainability Committee

The committee did not meet.

C. Affordable Housing Committee

The committee didn't meet. Their next meeting will be held October 9, 2008 at Connections Café at 6:00 p.m.

D. Outreach Committee

See agenda item 5. Minutes are attached as Attachment B.

Agenda Item 10 – Proposed Agenda Items for November 5, 2008

Committee Reports, Neighbor of the Year Awards Application, Neighborhood Council Committees, Rental Housing Task Force, Workshop Topics.

Agenda Item 11 – Adjournment

The Commission lost a quorum at 6:45 p.m. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Prepared by: Shauna Warner, Neighborhood Services Director
Elizabeth Thomas, Neighborhood Services Specialist



**Minutes
Neighborhood Advisory Commission
Codes Committee Meeting
September 24, 2008**

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission Codes Committee held on August 21, 2008, 4:00 p.m., Xtreme Bean Coffee Company, 1707 E Southern Ave, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present: Greg Ellison, chairman; Lisa Roach; Bill Wagner, Woody Wilson.

(MEMBERS) Absent: Alex Podressoff

City Staff Present: Jan Koehn, Code Compliance Administrator; Sergeant Heather Penner, Police Department; Elizabeth Thomas, Neighborhood Services Specialist.

Agenda Item 1 – Review City Policy and Systems of Accountability Regarding Code Complaints

Jan Koehn distributed information on the number and types of calls Code Compliance responds to.

Agenda Item 2 – Code Complaint Citizen Satisfaction Survey - Review Examples and Current Standards with Recommendations.

The Committee made recommendations on how to improve the Code Compliance website.

Agenda Item 3 – Review Loud Party Policy and Procedures as it Relates to Issuing a Complaint

Sergeant Penner reviewed the enforcement of the Loud Party Ordinance. The Committee requested she present the information with year to date violations at the January NAC meeting.

Meeting ended 5:15pm

Prepared by: Greg Ellison

Minutes
Neighborhood Advisory Commission
Outreach Committee Meeting
Date: Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission Outreach Committee September 23, 2008, 6:00 p.m. held at the Tempe Library Connections Cafe

(MEMBERS) Present: Woody Wilson, Mike Wasko, Don Calender, Lisa Roach

(MEMBERS) Absent: Tom Catlaw

City Staff Present: none

Guests Present: Sasha Malekooti, ASU; Carmen Vicatali, ASU

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Meeting started 6:p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Elect Committee Chair

A motion was made to elect Woody Wilson chair was made by Don Calender and seconded by Lisa Roach. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3 – Set goals for coming year

1. Strengthen and grow Neighborhood Leadership Workshop and find sponsor.
2. Work with COT and human service agencies to organize system to help infirmed and older Tempe residents with minor yard work/code violation corrections. Tentative name: Friends of Neighborhoods
3. Look for opportunities to promote Neighborhood Services within the community.

Agenda Item 4 – Begin organization for Neighborhood Leadership Workshop & Neighbor of the Year Awards

1. Possible Speakers for 2009 Neighborhood Leadership Workshop

A. Neighborhood advocate and historic preservationist, Donovan D. Rypkema is suggested by Commissioner Wilson. Mr. Rypkema is a well-known author and lecturer on the value of building, preserving and promoting community. It is possible that he can be booked for two events in Tempe; one paid, one non-paid. Depending on when the Neighborhood Workshop is scheduled, another parallel event can be booked with the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation and will provide Rypkema with an honorarium and transportation. Mr. Rypkema is available the weekend of April 18.

B. Commissioner Wasko suggests Richard Florida, author, lecturer and professor at George Mason University. Florida is the author of the best-selling book, "The Creative Class" and is an expert on how to foster and motivate people and communities to think creatively to solve problems.

C. Commissioner Wasko suggests Avenue Communities' Ken Losch as a speaker.

2. Possible Sponsors to approach for support of the Neighborhood Leadership Workshop. Amount to be asked for will be \$2000.

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- A. SRP
 - B. DMB/Centerpoint on Mill
 - C. Tempe Marketplace
 - D. SunCor
 - E. Changing Hands Bookstore
3. Suggested topics for NLW.
- A. Green Neighborhoods/Community sustainability/solar transitions in HOAs.
 - B. Update on Public Transportation/Light Rail/Orbit Routes
 - C. Tempe Parks/Getting the most from our parks/ The Best Park System in Arizona
 - D. The New Tempe – A Cultural Destination for All
 - E. Tempe Steps Up – An overview of Human Services in Tempe (TCC)

Adjourn: 6:55 p.m.
Prepared by: Woody Wilson