



**Minutes
Enhanced Services Commission
July 18, 2017**

Minutes of the Enhanced Services Commission held on April 11, 2017, 8:30 AM, at the Tempe City Hall - Community Development, Conference Lobby Room, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

Members Present:

Don Bessler, President of the Commission/PW Director
John Creer, Chairman of the Board/ASU Member
Ken Jones, Treasurer of the Commission/Fin & IT Director
Chad Weaver, Secretary of the Commission/CD Director
Jason Anzalone, Landowner Member/Area 2 Rep
Mark Clouch, At-Large Residential Property Owner

City Staff Present:

Ryan Levesque, Deputy Director Planning
Alex Smith, Deputy Director of Special Projects
Chris Thompson, Deputy Director Building Safety
Roger Hallsted, Rio Salado Financial Analyst
Sarah Adame, Community Development
Caggiano, Craig, Water Utility Operations Manager
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner
Tony Miano, Deputy Director Public Works
Amy Marschel, Public Works Supervisor Admin.

Members Absent:

Matt Mooney, Vice President Commission/Area 1 Rep
Kate Borders, Downtown Tempe Authority Member
Ted Rabban, Landowner Member/Area 3 Rep
Gordon Cresswell, Public Member
Kelly Rafferty, Community Services Deputy Director
Shelley Hearn, Community Services Director

Guests Present: NONE

Meeting convened at 8:30 am.

Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2017

MOTION: Ken Jones
SECOND: Don Bessler
DECISION: Approved meeting minutes of April 11, 2017

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances - None

Agenda Item 3 – Rio Salado Park Master Plan Presentation - Bonnie Richardson

Ms. Richardson gave an overview of the Rio Salado Park Master Plan.

Ms. Richardson discussed opportunities, challenges, and conversation with ASU to have combined events. The master plan will provide a way to get ideas and opportunities into action. The major 3 areas of discussion are Tempe Beach Park area, Marina area, and the Arts area. The process will be broken down into 3 tasks which are research, outreach, and the master plan development. The 3 tasks are broken down into a small timeline.

- Task 1 Research July 1, 2017 – Sept. 15, 2017
- Task 2 Outreach Sept. 16, 2017 – Dec. 1, 2017
- Task 3 Deliver the Master Plan Dec. 1, 2017 – Feb. 28, 2018

Tempe's downtown and art attractions are major components of the master plan. The plan will continue to reach out to the public making every effort to keep Tempe a major tourist attraction. Ms. Richardson discussed areas of Tempe Town Lake that can be improved and put into use.

The board had a discussion about amenities and parking during construction of the master plan and other projects in the area.

Mr. Jones reviewed with the board the list of master plans throughout the city that may or may not be overlapping.

- Rio Salado Master Plan
- Hayden Butte Park Master Plan
- Tempe Beach Park Rio Salado Master Plan
- Character Area Plans
- Innovation District
- Urban Core Plan
- Arts Master Plan

Mr. Bessler said that the plans run linearly and figuratively with one other. He stated that parks master plan came up when the updating of the 14 year old park and recreation master plan. The updating of the this master plan will be in a greater level of detail than that of other plans that may or may not overlap.

Mr. Jones asked Mr. Levesque if the Tempe Beach Park Rio Salado Master Plan is overlapped by any of the Character Area plans and Mr. Levesque advised yes, The Character Area 3. Mr. Jones shared his concerns about how many times the City will be calling the same stakeholders together to discuss the different master plans. Is there master planning fatigue?

Mr. Weaver advised that it's unusual to have so many master plans come about at the same time but concurs with Mr. Bessler that each plan has different levels of detail. Mr. Weaver agrees that the biggest concerns are planning fatigue, and over utilizing folks that give us input so we need to coordinate it very closely.

Agenda Item 4 – Town Lake Operations – Don Bessler & Craig Caggiano

Craig Caggiano announced his new hire of the Tempe Town Lake Operations and Maintenance Specialist, Mahmoud Alquran. Mr. Alquran has taken on many projects and recently acquired a new electric work boat for the Lake that will be used for light debris removal. Mr. Caggiano discussed that event season is approaching and that water quality is priority. Currently, the water quality is great for full body contact events and will be closely monitored for all future events. Mr. Caggiano discussed the reduced need of water replacement due to evaporation and how recent storms have helped tremendously.

Agenda Item 5 – Budget Update

Roger Hallsted discussed the recent budget update. Mr. Hallsted announced that there has been significant savings due to the reduced need of water replacement. This past year no money has been spent on replacing water. Mr. Caggiano stated that SRP has been managing the water replacement for about 20 years and recently, we have taken that over and have been managing it differently. Now, we are saving money. Mr. Hallsted reviewed a proposal from Mr. Jones about decreasing the water replacement fund. Mr. Hallsted advised that this past year the budget was at 3.3 million and right now it is estimated at \$600,000.00 under budget which is 80% of the budget that is spent. Mr. Hallsted stated that we should try to use some of that water replacement money from the fund balance for emergencies.

Mr. Hallsted also discussed updates made to the Budget Chart. Mr. Hallsted advised that most of the money has been spent in the fees and services categories. There is a summary included that describes what has been spent.

Two seepage recovery wells have been rehabilitated this year and the plan is to rehabilitate 2 seepage recovery wells each year for the next 3 years because each well will cost about \$25,000. The cost will be categorized in the contracted services account. These replacements will help reduce the operation and maintenance supplies cost.

Agenda Item 6 – Public and Private Development Update

Ryan Levesque gave a developments update.

- ASU Athletic Facilities District - City Council July 27, 2017, for 2nd and final hearing of the rezoning and general plan amendment

- Watermark phase 1A & 1B was approved for both multifamily and office commercial on site and is moving towards building permits
- Downtown Urban Core Master Core is at final stages of selecting a consultant and will be sent to Council for approval
- The Pier at Southbank has permits for the foundation for the 1st phase of 1 of the 2 towers.

Other Business

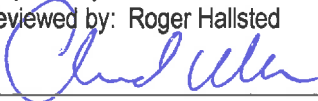
Next scheduled meeting is October 10, 2017

Tempe City Hall - Community Development, Conference Lobby Room, 31th East Fifth Street

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am.

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Reviewed by: Roger Hallsted



Chad Weaver
Community Development Director
Secretary

