

## Human Services and Community Safety

Council Committee Meeting Agenda

*Virtual Meeting*

May 27, 2022

12:00pm

Members of the City Council will attend virtually.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL**

**COUNCILMEMBER DOREEN GARLID CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 12:05 PM**

2. **REVIEW MEETING MINUTES**

**COUNCILMEMBER GARLID MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 25, 2022 MEETING MINUTES.  
THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - The committee welcomes public comment. According to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, the Committee may only discuss matters listed on the agenda. Matters brought up by the public under public appearances that are not listed on the agenda cannot be discussed by the Committee. A 3-minute limit per person will be in effect.

A. Comment Cards Submitted

PHILIP CARPENTER  
VICTORIA STINSON  
SHARON DOYLE  
STACY JOHNSON  
ANA EGATZ-GOMEZ  
CYNTHIA STREMB  
SANDY LOWE  
STEPHANIE SIETE  
DARLENE PANY  
IVY BIRITZ  
ERIC CORNIDEZ, MD  
LYNN GERALD  
SHELLEY KISTNER  
TAMARA MCQUEEN  
KIM WHITMYER  
AMY BRESLO  
ANTHONY VENTRESS  
TRISHA CHRISTISON  
KARIANNA BLANCHARD

VICKIE FABER  
SALLY HARRISON  
MELISSA KRUEGER  
JESSICA FLITCROFT  
APRIL SCHWEIKERT  
CHRISTY SHANE  
ERIC VALDEZ  
JENNIFER NEWMAN  
CARL O'KELLEY  
PAUL ULAN  
CHRISTINA PAVONE  
BRIAN HUMMELL  
MEGGIN LUCERO  
KATHERINE KENNY  
SARAH AMARAL  
BRYON SMITH  
BRIANNA MILLER  
STEPHEN LUCERO  
KIM SCHULTZ  
LORI BASTIAN  
STEVE WATSON  
BERNADETTE COGGINS  
AMY DAVIS  
CLAUDIA RODAS  
BRANDI JORDAN  
ALEXANDRIA ROUTIER  
MELINDA MEYER  
BEN ULAN  
GREG TAYLOR  
NICKIE BLOSSEY  
SATARA T.  
WILL HUMBLE  
JOSEPH YUHAS  
KEVIN MENDIVIL  
AKASH THATHI  
ABDUL ALRAAI  
JESSICA CARRASCO  
MARK MILLER  
JOHN MCELLIGOTT  
AMANDA GRAY

**4. COMMITTEE SESSION ITEMS**

A. Current Items and Updates

1. Presentation on Encampments/River Bottom Clean-Up Initiatives

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

**POLICE ASSISTANT CHIEF ANDRE ANDERSON AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAUL BENTLEY PRESENTED AN UPDATE ON THE “HOMELESS HELP PLAN 2022.” COUNCIL MEMBER GARLID THANKED THE STAFF FOR THE UPDATE AND MENTIONED THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE STARTING TO NOTICE THAT THE ENCAMPMENTS ARE STARTING TO GO AWAY. SHE APPRECIATES THE CROSS-AGENCY WORK TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AND LIKES THE FOCUS ON RARE, BRIEF AND ONE TIME. SHE ALSO LIKES THE COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER IN NORTH TEMPE. SHE FEELS THE GROUP IS DOING A GOOD JOB. COUNCILMEMBER JOEL NAVARRO ALSO COMPLIMENTED THE HARD WORK AND APPRECIATES THAT THE STAFF ARE TRYING TO TACKLE ALL ISSUES AND HIT ALL ANGLES. HE SAYS IT SHOWS THE TIME AND ENERGY THAT THE CITY IS PUTTING INTO THIS ISSUE. HE FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE NOT BE USING PD AND FD ON THINGS THAT OTHERS ARE BETTER EQUIPPED TO ADDRESS AND LIKES THIS PLAN’S RETHINKING OF THE APPROACH TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES WITH OTHER STAFF. COUNCILMEMBER GARLID ASKED HOW BEST IT IS FOR THE PUBLIC TO CONTACT THE CITY TO NOTIFY THE CITY OR ASK QUESTIONS. DEPUTY DIRECTOR BENTLEY SAID RESIDENTS SHOULD EMAIL [HOPE@TEMPE.GOV](mailto:HOPE@TEMPE.GOV) AND THAT THEY ARE ADDING AN ONLINE TOOL TO REPORT ENCAMPMENTS VIA THE 311 APP AND WEBSITE.**

2. Presentation on “Homeless Dashboard”

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

**POLICE ASSISTANT CHIEF ANDERSON AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPUTY DIRECTOR BENTLEY MADE A PRESENTATION ON THE CITY’S HOMELESS DASHBOARD. COUNCILMEMBER GARLID COMMENTED THAT IT IS GOOD TO KNOW THAT THAT INFORMATION IS COMING AND THE PUBLIC WILL SOON BE ABLE TO SEE THE INFORMATION FOR TRANSPARENCY.**

3. Presentation on Limiting the Sale of Flavored Tobacco and Vaping Products

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

**ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY ELIZABETH HIGGINS PRESENTED ON POSSIBLE WAYS TO LIMIT THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO AND VAPING PRODUCTS. COUNCILMEMBER GARLID THANKED STAFF FOR THEIR WORK AND CLARIFIED THAT MOVING FORWARD THE STAFF WOULD DEVELOP AN ORDINANCE AND BRING IT BACK TO THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND THEN POSSIBLY TO A WORK STUDY SESSION. ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY HIGGINS SAID THAT SHE FEELS SHE COULD HAVE A DRAFT READY FOR THE JUNE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING AND THEN IT WOULD BE READY FOR FULL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION. COUNCILMEMBER NAVARRO ASKED ABOUT THE AGE 21 REQUIREMENT. RESPONSE WAS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INCREASED THE AGE AND THERE IS A STATE BILL PENDING THAT COULD ALSO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE THAT IS STILL ALIVE IN THE LEGISLATURE, BUT NOT SURE IF BILL WILL PASS.**

B. New Items for Consideration

1. Examine Presentations for June 24th Council Committee Meeting

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

C. Announcements

1. No new announcements

**NO ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE GIVEN**

5. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** Friday, June 24, 2022 at 12:00pm
6. **ADJOURN**

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:14 PM.**