

Workforce Readiness and Economic Vitality

Council Committee Meeting Agenda Virtual and In-Person Meeting in City Council Chambers 31 East 5th Street October 24, 2022 3:00 pm

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1. CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by CM Keating at 3:09 pm with both members present.

2. REVIEW MEETING MINUTES

- A. September 26, 2022 September 26, 2022 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
- 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. <u>Comment Cards Submitted</u> No comment cards were received by the committee.

4. COMMITTEE SESSION ITEMS

- A. <u>Current Items and Updates</u>
 - 1. Presentation on Tempe- PRE-K Update
 - Marie Raymond and Naomi Farrell presented on Tempe PRE-K. CM Keating expressed his appreciation for the program, and thanked staff for their hard work. He said that he really

appreciates the polling numbers showing such strong community support, since his intention is to bring free full day preschool in Tempe public schools to a public vote. He also said he plans to approve the supplemental funding requested to continue the current program. CM Hodge thanked the staff for everything they do. She highlighted the need for low-income students to get these types of programs. She asked staff how council members could be an advocate to advertise the program to the community. Naomi asked that they do more presentations like this, as well as working with the city's communications team to get the word out to the entire community. She used the Breakfast with Berdetta meeting with Tempe's educational leaders as an example of how they could help. CM Hodge said she would continue to use her newsletter to promote it as well. She further stated that she wants to tour all the preschools and asked city staff to join her. Naomi said that she would welcome everyone to tour the facilities and programs. CM Keating asked that city staff give CM Hodge a copy of the awards pictures for her newsletter.

2. Presentation on Tempe Biz Huub

Jill Buschbacher and Chelsea Smith (with Cohoots) presented on Tempe Biz Huub. CM Hodge thanked them for their presentation, and stated that she is excited to see what happens at the program's launch on Wednesday. CM Keating said he was really proud of this new program and what it will mean to the businesses in Tempe. He stated that is very innovative and is on brand with what Tempe is doing.

 Discussion on WREV Committee Work Plan CM Keating said he has no changes in the work plan at this time. CM Hodge said she does not have changes at this time. CM Hodge moved that they bring the work plan before the City Council at the November 10, 2022 Work Study Session. CM Keating seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. <u>New Items for Consideration</u>

1. None

CM Keating said that he did not have any new items for future consideration. CM Hodge asked if they could ask the Tempe Chamber of Commerce to give a presentation on new businesses opening in Tempe, as well as what the City Council could do to help bring new businesses to the city.

C. <u>Announcements</u>

1. None

There were no announcements.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE: To Be Announced

CM Hodge said that the date and time of the next meeting is to be determined, as it will fall during the holidays.

6. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 3:44 pm by CM Hodge.