

CITY OF BENSON CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 23, 2015 – 7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BENSON, ARIZONA
WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 23, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.,
AT BENSON CITY HALL,
120 W. 6TH STREET, BENSON, ARIZONA

Vicki L. Vivian, CMC, City Clerk

A G E N D A

The Council may discuss, direct, consider and take possible action as indicated below pertaining to the following:

CALL TO ORDER: The Call to Order will consist of the Mayor calling the Council to order. The Mayor or his designee shall then lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance before introducing the invocation speaker, who will offer the invocation.

ROLL CALL: The City Clerk shall call the roll of the members, and the names of those present shall be entered in the minutes.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION: The Mayor shall use this time to present employment awards to those City employees or to present recognition awards for specific acts regarding public service, if any.

PROCLAMATION: None

PUBLIC HEARING: The City of Benson's City Council will hold a Public Hearing on the General Development Plan Update. The General Development Plan helps direct long and short-term development regulations and requirements. The purpose of this public hearing is to provide an opportunity for citizens to address questions, concerns or support regarding the document directly to the City Council.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Communications and comments from the citizens regarding the City of Benson or other matters properly addressed to the City Council shall be heard by the Council. Such remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and shall be limited to five (5) minutes unless additional time is granted by the Council. **

CITY MANAGER REPORT: The City Manager will announce meetings and events taking place regarding matters involving or related to the City of Benson.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and possible action on the Consent Agenda: *** **APPROVED**
 - 1a. Minutes of the January 26, 2015 Regular Meeting *
 - 1b. Invoices processed for the period from February 1, 2015 through February 11, 2015 *
2. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 8-2015 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, readopting the City of Benson General Development Plan, a General Plan for Municipal Development Policy pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, A.R.S. §9-461 et. seq., establishing Planning Goals, Objectives and Policies; and considering each of the Plan Elements required by Statute as well as others determined essential by the City – **Brad Hamilton, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer** * **APPROVED**
3. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance 575 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, amending the Benson City Code, Chapter 18 "Boards, Commissions and Committees," Article 18-7, "Benson Airport Advisory Committee" to disband the Benson Airport Advisory Committee and delete any reference to the Benson Airport Advisory Committee in the Benson City Code – **Brad Hamilton, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer** * **APPROVED**
4. Update on the replacement of the CAVE FM building and related zoning and building code issues – **Brad Hamilton, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer** * **NO ACTION**
5. Discussion and possible action about the timing of when Council packets are distributed – **Vicki Vivian, CMC, City Clerk** **APPROVED COUNCIL PACKETS BEING DISTRIBUTED ON WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETINGS**

6. Discussion and possible direction to Staff about a requirement that Councilmembers be physically present at Council meetings – **William Stephens, City Manager** **ITEM TO BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA**
7. Discussion and possible direction to Staff about the Benson Economic Development Committee including the Resignation of Ron Brooks, the Resignation of Stephen Insalaco, the Appointment of Debra Crafts and the possible retention, reformation, or dissolution of the committee as in proposed Ordinance 576 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, amending the Benson City Code, Chapter 18 “Boards, Commissions and Committees,” Article 18-6, “Benson Economic Development Committee” to disband and delete any reference to the Benson Economic Development Committee in the Benson City Code – **William Stephens, City Manager** * **ITEM TABLED – JOINT WORKSESSION TO BE SCHEDULED WITH THE BENSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**
8. Review of City Finances with emphasis on January financial results, and the City’s financial position at January 31, 2015, including discussion of current and future revenue sources and expenditures – **Megan Moreno, Finance Director** * **NO ACTION – DISCUSSED IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITEM 9**
9. Presentation and summary of the Council Retreat held on January 31, 2015 and possible direction to Staff concerning the City sales tax – **Megan Moreno, Finance Director** * **DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE REQUIRED POSTING FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER A SALES TAX INCREASE, TO CONDUCT A RATE STUDY FOR UTILITIES AND TO CREATE AN EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PLAN FOR CITIZENS**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Written Department Reports will be provided to Councilmembers as part of the Council packet monthly, discussion and direction to Staff, if any, may ensue.

ADJOURNMENT

POSTED this 18th of February, 2015

Material related to the City Council meeting is available for public review the day before and the day of the meeting, during office hours, at the City Clerk’s Office located at 120 W. 6th Street, Benson, Arizona, 520-586-2245 x 2011.

All facilities are handicapped accessible. If you have a special accessibility need, please contact Vicki L. Vivian, City Clerk, at (520) 586-2245 or TDD: (520) 586-3624, no later than eight (8) hours before the scheduled meeting time.

Any invocation that may be offered before the start of regular Council business shall be the voluntary offering of a private citizen, for the benefit of the Council and the citizens present. The views or beliefs expressed by the invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Council, and the Council does not endorse the religious beliefs or views of this, or any other speaker.

Executive Sessions - Upon a vote of the majority of the City Council, the council may enter into Executive Sessions pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03 (A)(3) to obtain legal advice on matters listed on the Agenda.

* Denotes an Exhibit in addition to the Council Communication

** Call to the Public

Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.01(H) provides that “A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.” As such, a Call to the Public, if on the agenda, is provided as a courtesy.

In order to speak during the Call to the Public, please complete the Call to the Public form requesting to do so.

*** Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda will be the first item under New Business and shall list separately distinct items requiring action by the City Council that are generally routine items not requiring Council discussion. A single motion will approve all items on the Consent Agenda, including any resolutions or ordinances, or claims/invoices that are of a routine nature. A Councilmember may remove any issue from the Consent Agenda, and that issue will be discussed and voted upon separately, immediately following the Consent Agenda under its proper regular category of New Business.