

SCOTTSDALE

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

\*\*\* AMENDED \*\*\* WORK STUDY SESSION NOTICE AND AGENDA

[ADDED ITEM 4]



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## COUNCIL

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Tom Durham

Betty Janik

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Linda Milhaven

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Tuesday, March 9, 2021

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**4:00 P.M.**

**MARKED AGENDA**

### CITY COUNCIL WORK STUDY SESSION

City Hall Kiva Forum, 3939 N. Drinkwater Boulevard

**Work Study Sessions:** Work study sessions provide a less formal setting for the Mayor and Council to discuss specific topics, at length, with each other and City staff. Work study sessions provide an opportunity for staff to receive direction from the Council and for the public to observe these discussions.

**Call to Order – 4:01 P.M.**

**Roll Call – All present**

*One or more members of the Council may be attending the Council Meeting by telephone, video, or Internet conferencing, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431(4).*

**Public Comment: Melissa Kovacs spoke in support of Councilmember Milhaven's proposal for a short-term rental task force.** To provide an opportunity for public input yet continue to maximize the amount of time available for the Council to have focused discussions, spoken comment (maximum of five speakers) is being accepted on the item(s) on tonight's work study session agenda. To sign up to speak, please click [here](#). **Request to speak forms must be submitted no later than 90 minutes before the start of the meeting.**

If you have thoughts or suggestions on the work study session item(s) you would like the Council to consider, you are encouraged to submit your written comment(s) electronically by clicking [here](#). Written comments that are submitted electronically at least 90 minutes before the meeting will be emailed to the Council and posted online prior to the meeting.



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1. [Residential Sewer Line Extensions](#)

**Request:** Presentation, discussion, and possible direction to staff on the residential sewer line extension and payback programs and associated costs to homeowners.

**Presenter/Staff Contact:** Brian Biesemeyer, Water Resources Executive Director 480-312-5683, [bbiesemeyer@scottsdaleaz.gov](mailto:bbiesemeyer@scottsdaleaz.gov)

– Water Resources Executive Director Brian Biesemeyer and Water Quality Director Suzanne Grendahl gave the presentation.

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

- Return to the Council with detailed information on all costs and fees that would be incurred by the City and individual homeowners.
- Review low cost options and options involving a possible 1.5% sewer rate increase and a \$.40 per month water quality fee on water bills during budget discussions.

2. [Draft Economic Development Strategic Plan](#)

**Request:** Presentation, discussion, and possible direction to staff regarding the Draft Economic Development Strategic Plan.

**Presenter(s):** Rob Millar, Economic Development Director

**Staff Contact(s):** Rob Millar, Economic Development Director, 480-312-2533, [rmillar@scottsdaleaz.gov](mailto:rmillar@scottsdaleaz.gov)

– Economic Development Director Rob Millar and Resonance Consultancy Representative Steve Pedigo gave the presentation.

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

- Look to attract more corporate headquarters to Scottsdale.
- Continue moving forward with development of Strategic Plan.

3. [Draft General Plan 2035 Update \(1-GP-2021\)](#)

**Request:** Presentation, discussion, and possible direction to staff regarding the Draft General Plan 2035.

**Presenter(s):** Erin Perreault, Planning and Development Area Director

**Staff Contact:** Randy Grant, Planning and Development Services Director, 480-312-2664, [rgrant@scottsdaleaz.gov](mailto:rgrant@scottsdaleaz.gov)

– Planning and Development Area Director Erin Perreault gave the presentation.

[Chapter 4 – Community Well Being](#)

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

[Healthy Community Element](#)

- On Page 139, second paragraph, last sentence, replace the word “programming” with “facilities”.
- On Page 140, first paragraph, first sentence, replace the words “may have the” with the words “has an”.
- On Page 142, add an additional policy to create or help to create a network to share and receive locally grown fruits.
- Page 142, Policy HC 2.3 - delete
- Support the addition of a high-level health resources map listing hospitals.
- Include references to Maricopa County Health Services for low-income residents and eligible veterans, such as NOAH, on the health resources map.
- Create a policy about the mental health/behavioral health aspects of a healthy community

### Housing Element

- On Page 148, Policy H 1.2, replace the word “Encourage” with the word “Promote”.
- On Page 148, Policy H 1.3, replace the word “Support” with the word “Ensure”.
- On Page 149, Goal H 2, replace the word “Encourage” with the word “Provide”.
- On Page 149, change the wording in Policy H 2.1 from “a variety of income levels” to “workforce and low-income levels”.
- On Page 149, Policy 2.6 delete (duplicate of H 2.1)
- On Page 150, Policy H 3.5, provide more substance to the policy to provide an understanding of how this could be accomplished.

### Recreation Element

- On Page 154, add a new Policy 3.3 (or where appropriate), that states “Maintain and enhance our vibrant aquatic community that offers programs in water safety, swim lessons, competitive swimming, diving and synchronized swimming and water recreational activities at our aquatics facilities”, and renumber the remaining policies under Goal R 3.

### Safety Element

- Suggest adding more language on “mobilization and health resources”, as well as pandemics into the element.
- On Page 160, Policy S 1.6, add the words “water and” after the word “about”.
- On Page 160, Policy 1.5, replace the words “Continue to build” with “Provide”
- On Page 160, under Goal S 2, add new policy to “Retrofit police stations, fire stations, and community centers to operate for long periods off the grid to ensure that in the event of an emergency and power grid failures, there will be uninterrupted fire, police, and community services.”
- On Page 161, Policy S 3.1, fire response resources should be located based on population density, not just response times, and fire resources should consider planning for protecting both developed and undeveloped (Preserve) areas
- On Page 163, Policy 7.1, replace the word “Encourage” with “Incorporate”.
- On Page 163, Policy 7.8, replace the words “Ensure the” with words “Work with the School District to provide”. After additional Council discussion, the consensus was to that the city is responsible for safety, thus maintain S 7.8 original language

### Chapter 5 – Connectivity Chapter

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

- Add a goal to Chapter 5 related to non-car modes of transportation, suggestions included regional transportation, self-driving delivery vehicles, improved intra-city transportation, self-driving vehicles, golf carts, Mopeds, e-bikes, and scooters.

### Circulation Element

- On Page 170, Policy C 1.1, add the word “regional” after “affordable” and replace the words “related to” with “including”.
- On Page 170, delete Policy C 1.6.
- On Page 172, Policy C 3.3, expand neighboring jurisdictions to include Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG).
- Be very specific that the connectivity element does not have any reference to “light rail”.

### Bicycling Element

- On Page 180, Policy B 1.5, replace the words “or improve” with the words “and enhance”.

### Chapter 6 – Revitalization Chapter, Neighborhood Preservation Element

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

- Page 188, Policy NPR 1.3, add language to the effect if the citizens or owners of the property desire historic designation.

### Growth Area Element

- On Page 203, Scottsdale Growth Areas, under the Old Town Growth Area consider recognizing the Downtown Core area with language such as “The Old Town designation represents 2 areas, each with distinct character. The Historic Old Town Character Area is bound by 2<sup>nd</sup> Street north to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., and Scottsdale Rd. east to Brown Ave. This character area must retain its original charm. The remaining section of Old Town encompasses 2<sup>nd</sup> Street north to the Canal and Goldwater Blvd. east to Scottsdale Rd. This Character Area includes the engaging Scottsdale Art District and numerous unique shops and boutiques. It is the locations for some of the greatest development intensity within Downtown. Building heights generally range between two and six stories, with few exceptions, depending on location and neighborhood context. It is critical to maintain the identity of this area by establishing architectural guidelines for new construction and redevelopment.”

### Cost of Development Element

- On Page 208, Policy COD 3.1, add the words “ongoing maintenance” before the words “and infrastructure”.

### Public Services and Facilities Element

- On Page 211, Policy PSF 2.5, add the word “safe” after the word “the”.

### Public Buildings Element

- On Page 217, Policy PB 2.3, add the words “and LEED Certification”, after “standards”.

### Chapter 7 – Innovation and Prosperity, Economic Vitality Element

– Councilmembers made the following suggestions:

- On Page 229, add a new policy stating “Scottsdale is committed to working with the schools to achieve the best outcome for our children. This includes, but is not limited to, shared facilities such as parks and libraries, mentoring programs, and recognition of student achievements.”

### Tourism Element

- On Page 234, Policy T 1.5, revise sentence structure to make it easier to read.

\*\*\*4. Short Term Rental Task Force

**Request:** Presentation, discussion, and possible direction to staff regarding the formation of a Short Term Rental Task Force.

**Presenter(s):** Councilmember Linda Milhaven

– **Councilmember Linda Milhaven gave the presentation.**

– **Councilwoman Whitehead made a motion to direct staff to return to Council with direction on setting up a short-term rental task force. Councilwoman Caputi seconded the motion, which carried 7/0, with Mayor Ortega; Vice Mayor Janik; and Councilmembers Caputi, Durham, Littlefield, Milhaven, and Whitehead voting in the affirmative.**

**Adjournment – 8:10 P.M.**