



Minutes
City Council's Central City Development
Committee of the Whole
February 1, 2007

Minutes of the City Council's Central City Development Committee of the Whole Meeting of Thursday, February 1, 2007, held at 3:30 p.m., in the Harry E. Mitchell Government Center, Municipal Building, City Council Chambers, 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Hugh Hallman
Vice Mayor Hut Hutson
Councilmember P Ben Arredondo
Councilmember Barbara J. Carter
Councilmember Shana Ellis
Councilmember Mark W. Mitchell
Councilmember Onnie Shekerjian

Mayor Hallman called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

Papago Park 0112-07-01

Mark Richwine, Parks and Recreation Manager, summarized an approach for a regional master plan for Papago Park. Over the past few years, there have been discussions about a regional effort to see how we can improve and better Papago Park for the metropolitan region. The two primary stakeholders have been Phoenix and Tempe, as they are the primary property owners, but a significant portion of Scottsdale buffers the park on the east and the north, and they have also been a desirable partner to include in this process. This park has some of the most fantastic cultural, social and recreational resources found in the State of Arizona. Its history is long and varied in this region, both as a public park and in previous years with the Native American communities. The City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation Board took action at their meeting last Thursday evening. Staff would seek what action the City would like to take in its partnership with the other governmental entities.

Mayor Hallman attended the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Board meeting and observed their deliberations. They did an admirable job attempting to pull together a regional effort comprised of the three communities.

Councilmember Carter had a concern under Item #3 of the motion by the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Board, noting that the Chair would be appointed by the Phoenix Board. She thought it would be more appropriate for the entire ad hoc committee to make the appointment.

Mayor Hallman felt that in the long run, the Chair is the person who is the least capable of determining the outcome of a vote, that this ad hoc committee must report back to the Executive Committee, and that nothing

could happen without approval of this Council. He was, therefore, not concerned with that. This Council would ultimately control what would happen to the Tempe property.

CONSENSUS: Staff was directed to move forward with an appropriate Resolution for the next Formal Council meeting.

Public Appearances

None.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.



Connie Krosschell
Acting City Clerk