

**Open Space Acquisition Advisory Committee
General Meeting
July 8, 2009
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA**

MINUTES OF THE **General Meeting** OF THE **Open Space Acquisition Advisory Committee** held on **July 8, 2009** in the **Grace Sparkes Memorial Activity Center, Flagstone Room** located at **824 E. Gurley St.**, Prescott, Arizona.

1. Roll Call & Approval of Minutes from 06/10/09 Meeting –

Members Present: Bruce McKeeman, Dan Campbell, Jeri Smith-Fornara, Ron Smith, Jim Lawrence, Steve Walker

Members Absent: Valarie Isley, Walt Anderson, Michael Byrd

Others Present: Councilman Luzius, Jeff Low, Michelle Stacy

Meeting called to order at 5:30 P.M. Motion was made by Steve Walker to accept the general minutes of the 06/10/09 meeting as written. Jim Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Open Space Master Plan- What's Next- The Open Space Master Plan was approved by the City Council on June 23, 2009 by a 5-2 vote. The next step is to draft an ordinance changing the status of the committee to a commission. Dan Campbell sent out a draft ordinance that was created with the help of Jeff Low. Jim Lawrence suggested that certain group functions be addressed as to how they would work within the structure of a commission. Bruce McKeeman agreed stating some of the functions currently going on under the "committee" status are not relevant under the "commission" status. Jim Lawrence would like the ordinance to address the proper sequence for properties from recommendation to Council through acquisition.

Other recommendations discussed on the draft ordinance were to abide by the City Code's policy on meeting attendance. Members present felt that this should remain in the ordinance. In regards to Item C, Jim Lawrence would also like to see "Open Space" added in to proposed applications. In Item E, it was suggested to have the word "revising" changed to recommending, as well as changing the reviewing of the ordinance from annually to bi-annually. It is the hope of the committee that the approval for becoming a commission will take place prior to the elections in September. Currently there is no set time frame.

3. Budget- The budget for open space was approved at \$1,000,000.00 for FY210. With the current balance left from FY09, there will be \$2.4 million left in appropriations for FY2010.

4. Executive Session –

- a. **Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(7).**

- I. Approval of Executive minutes from 06/10/09
- II. Committee Membership
- III. Prioritizing Future Possible Acquisitions
- IV. Committee membership



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5. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

6. Next Meeting: July 22 at 5:30pm

Michelle Stacy, Minute Preparer

Bruce McKeeman, Co- Chairman

Dan Campbell, Co-Chairman