



PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA

**PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2010
2:00 PM**

**Prescott Council Chambers
201 South Cortez
Prescott, Arizona
(928) 777-1100**

The following Agenda will be considered by the Prescott City Council at its **Workshop** pursuant to the Prescott City Charter, Article II, Section 13. Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431.02.

- ◆ **CALL TO ORDER**
- ◆ **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Councilwoman Suttles
- ◆ **ROLL CALL:**

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Kuykendall	
Councilman Blair	Councilwoman Linn
Councilman Hanna	Councilwoman Lopas
Councilman Lamerson	Councilwoman Suttles

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Introduction of Dr. Kristin R. Woolever, President of Prescott College.
- B. Introduction of new businesses.
- C. Alice James re thanks to Council for activities on the Square.
- D. Chris Kuknyo re garbage collection service in the City.
- E. Milt Cannon re Jazz Appreciation Month and related activities.
- F. Daniel Mattson re camping in City Limits (Chapter 5-9 of the City Code).

II. PROCLAMATIONS

- A. November 2, 2010 – *Honor and Remember Day*

III. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Dennis Garvey of Yavapai College re Retirement Connection program
- B. Annual Report from the Yavapai Humane Society
- C. Annual Report from the Frontier Days – World’s Oldest Rodeo
- D. Board / Commission Liaison reports

IV. DISCUSSION ITEM

- A. Proposed water and wastewater rates and rate setting process.

V. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Prescott City Hall on _____ at _____ .m. in accordance with the statement filed by the Prescott City Council with the City Clerk.

Elizabeth A. Burke, City Clerk

COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEMO – November 2, 2010

DEPARTMENT: City Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed water and wastewater rates and rate setting process

Approved By:

Date:

Regional Programs Director: Craig McConnell

Craig McConnell

10-27-10

City Manager:

Steve Norwood

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10/27/10

Background

At the two prior Council workshops indicated below, funding needs and associated rates to support the water and wastewater enterprise funds were discussed. In light of the current economic downturn and the impact fee moratorium imposed by the Legislature, direction was given that the capital improvement plans (CIPs) be the minimums required to operate and maintain safe, reliable City water and wastewater systems. An analysis was subsequently performed, and the associated report, "Water & Wastewater Rates - 2010 Update," placed on the City website for public review. This was supplemented by two public informational sessions, and individual meetings with large water users. The rate setting process, and status of activities, is as follows:

8/17/10 Completed	Council Workshop	Discussion of rate increases necessary to fund the FY 11-16 Water and Wastewater CIP.
9/7/10 Completed	Council Workshop	Discussion of priority projects and schedule for the rate setting public process.
10/4-11/10 Completed	Meetings with Customers	Meetings with large water users to discuss their water usage, and current and proposed rates.
10/14/10 Completed	Public Meeting #1	Public Meeting #1 to present information on the City utilities systems, enterprise funds, and proposed rates; and receive comments.
10/21/10 Completed	Public Meeting #2	Repeat of Public Meeting #1.
11/2/10	Council Workshop	Presentation of proposed rates and summary of public comments; Council direction to proceed with rate setting and/or other direction.
11/9/10	Council Agenda Item	Adoption of Notice of Intention declaring the intent to adjust/raise rates; set public hearing and formally release the public report.
12/14/10	Council Public Hearing	Public hearing on the proposed rates not less than 30 days following adoption of the Notice of Intention
TBD	Council Agenda Item	Following the public hearing, Council can adopt an ordinance setting adjusted water and wastewater rates.
TBD	New Rates in Effect	The ordinance setting new rates becomes effective not less than 30 days after adoption.

If the ordinance is adopted December 14, 2010, the proposed effective date for the new rates would be February 1, 2011. If adopted on January 11, 2011, the proposed effective date would be March 1, 2011.

Recommended Action: No formal action. Workshop is for discussion and Council direction regarding continuation of the rate setting process.