



## Downtown Vision Ad-Hoc Committee – MINUTES

City of Mesa, City Council Chambers  
57 East First Street, Lower Level  
Tuesday, September 30, 2014  
4:00 p.m.

Jo Wilson, Chair  
Debby Elliott, Member  
Marco Meraz, Member  
Lorenzo Perez, Member

Steve Chucri, Member  
Charles Huellmantel, Member  
Rich Marchant, Member

### 1. Chair's call to order

Call to order at approximately 4:05pm by Chairwoman Jo Wilson. All members present. Rich Marchant participated via conference call. Note: technical difficulties with phone static/connection resulted in him disconnecting after the introductions.

### 2. Administer Oaths of Office for each member in attendance

Oaths of office completed by all members, except Rich Marchant, who will complete as soon as possible.

### 3. Present and discuss Committee purpose, as outlined by Mayor and City Council

Committee purpose reviewed by Chair. Mayor Giles and Vice Mayor Glover welcomed and thanked the committee for their service and emphasized the importance of their participation to Council and to the future of downtown. No questions by committee.

### 4. Committee member introductions and sharing of expectations

Members introductions and expectations: all completed.

### 5. Discuss and provide staff direction related to procedural items:

#### a. Upcoming Committee presentations, as requested by the following City departments and downtown interest groups or others to be invited:

- i. Open Meeting Law, Conflict of Interest—City Attorney's Office
- ii. Downtown Economic Development Programs, Market Opportunities and Demand, Goals and Priorities (City Staff)
- iii. Central Main Plan and Downtown Light Rail Updates (City Staff)
- iv. Arts and Culture programs update (City Staff)
- v. Urban community development consultant presentation, provided by Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation
- vi. Downtown Mesa Association

- vii. Chamber of Commerce
- viii. Visit Mesa
- ix. Retail, Arts, Innovation and Livability
- x. Historic Preservation Board
- xi. Others per request of Committee?

List of presentation requests in agenda reviewed and accepted by committee. Committee requested update on Economic Development incentives, and updates on Central Main Plan, City Center project and light rail. Staff directed to follow up and schedule staff presentations, as available and ability to be prepared.

b. Discuss and provide direction related to future meeting dates, locations

Next meeting scheduled for Oct.14 at 4 pm. Staff directed to identify meeting room and send calendar requests. Third meeting scheduled for Oct. 28, 4 pm at lower council chambers.

6. Items from citizens present

No items from citizens present.

7. Chair presentation and Committee discussion relative to items for next meeting agenda. Possible items include the following:

- a. Presentation and discussion of open meeting and conflict of interest laws
- b. Presentation and discussion on the geographic boundary of Downtown Mesa
- c. Review of proposed meeting schedule and timeline for committee's work
- d. Hear presentations and discuss 2-3 City/downtown interest groups, per Committee direction

Next agenda to include presentation from City Attorney's Office on open meeting and conflict of interest laws, defining downtown boundary, review of overall committee schedule, and staff presentations as directed by committee and as staff can be available.

8. Adjourn meeting

Meeting adjourned at approx. 4:40 pm.