



## AD HOC REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 22, 2004

The Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee met in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on March 22, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.

### COMMITTEE PRESENT

Rex Griswold, Chairman  
Steve Adams  
Bev Tittle-Baker  
Manny Cortez  
Alex Finter  
Kyle Jones  
Art Jordan  
Alan Rash  
Chuck Riekema  
Joe Shipley

### COMMITTEE ABSENT

Louise Daggs  
Dave Richins  
Jordan Rose

### STAFF PRESENT

Paul Wenbert  
Debbie Spinner  
Greg Marek  
Patrick Murphy  
Pat Granillo

#### 1. Welcome and introductions.

Chairman Griswold welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee. He explained that the Committee has been charged with determining whether the Town Center Redevelopment Area boundaries should change and examining the advantages and disadvantages of such a decision. Chairman Griswold added that it is anticipated that the Committee would also solicit input from various property owners and lessees in the area regarding the matter.

The members of the Committee introduced themselves and briefly highlighted their professional background and community service experience.

#### 2. Review of Conflict of Interest and Open Meeting Laws, Quorum Rules, Ethics Code for Committeemembers and Loyalty Oath.

City Attorney Debbie Spinner addressed the Committee and provided a brief overview of the Opening Meeting Law, Conflict of Interest statutes and the City of Mesa's Ethics Code. She also discussed Quorum Rules and highlighted various options available to the Committee regarding the number of members necessary for a quorum.

Discussion ensued relative to the posting of meeting agendas; exceptions to the Open Meeting Law; and the fact that any decisions rendered by the Committee must be fair and objective and not subject to conflict of interest challenges.

Ms. Spinner invited the Committeemembers to contact her with any questions or concerns they may have regarding any of the above-referenced issues.

3. Review committee assignment from City Council and proposed monthly meeting topics.

Chairman Griswold stated that at the Committee's upcoming meeting, staff would provide a comprehensive and historical overview of redevelopment districts, a tool given to municipalities by the State. He noted that future meetings would include a tour of the Town Center Redevelopment area, as well as ongoing presentations related to various aspects of redevelopment. Chairman Griswold commented that some Committeemembers may have preconceived notions regarding redevelopment districts, but urged everyone to keep an open and objective mind until such time as the Committee begins to discuss and consider the issue and formulate recommendations for the City Council.

4. Establish meeting schedule.

Discussion ensued among the Committeemembers relative to a proposed meeting schedule and the following dates and times were established:

Tuesday, April 27, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 4, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 18, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 22, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 10, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 24, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 14, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 28, 2004, 5:30 p.m.

5. Other items.

Further discussion ensued between Ms. Spinner and the Committeemembers relative to Quorum Rules; the number of votes required for the passage of a motion; and the possibility of the Committee postponing meetings during the month of July.

It was moved by Committeemember Cortez that a minimum of seven Committeemembers constitute a quorum and that a majority of four votes be required for the passage of any action by the Committee.

Committeemember Shipley modified the original motion and moved that a minimum of seven Committeemembers constitute a quorum in order to conduct a meeting and proceed with discussion/consideration of any agenda items.

Committeemember Cortez concurred with the amended motion.

Committeemember Adams seconded the motion.

Chairman Griswold declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

It was moved by Committeemember Shipley, seconded by Committeemember Finter, that a majority of seven votes be required for the passage of any action by the Committee.

Additional discussion ensued between Ms. Spinner and the Committeemembers relative to the appropriate number of votes for the passage of a motion.

Chairman Griswold stated that if Committeemembers Shipley and Finter were willing to withdraw their motion and second, he would direct Ms. Spinner to draft specific language for a motion regarding the appropriate number of votes for the passage of an item. He added that the Committee could discuss and consider the motion at its April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Committeemembers Shipley and Finter agreed to withdraw their motion and second.

It was moved by Committeemember Finter, seconded by Committeemember Adams, that the Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee postpone its meetings during the month of July.

Chairman Griswold declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Chairman Griswold thanked everyone for their attendance and participation at the meeting.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2004. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK