

Minutes of the work session of the Winslow City Council held on October 10, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the main hall of the Winslow Visitor's Center, 523 West Second Street, Winslow, Arizona.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Cano, Councilmember Cake, Councilmember Crisp, Councilmember McKee, Councilmember Nelson, Councilmember Tafoya

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Councilmember MacLean

**STAFF:**

David Coolidge City Manager, Trish Stuhan City Attorney, Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Jason Sanks Zoning Hearing Officer, Mark Woodson Contract City Engineer (via Zoom)

Mayor Cano called the meeting to order. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by Mayo Cano. Roll call was taken and Councilmember MacLean was absent. Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to excuse the absent member. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING DRAFT 2024 GENERAL PLAN**

The Zoning Hearing Officer referred to the Work Session in September where he introduced the initial draft of the General Plan and explained what the purpose of the General Plan. After providing a schedule update that includes adoption of the General Plan by the City Council, the Zoning Hearing Officer provided information regarding minor updates made to the city's vision statement to reflect its identity in 2024 as a guiding principle for planning in the next ten years and beyond.

The Zoning Hearing Officer discussed opportunities that citizens have had and will continue to be given to participate in the review of the draft document. The Zoning Hearing Officer stated that per the Statute requirement, the draft document has been provided to various partnering agencies.

A PowerPoint Presentation containing information regarding the four sections of the General Plan (Introduction, Amendments & Process, Elements and Action Summary) was provided. The presentation also included information regarding the Action Strategy Matrix that focuses on Objectives, Goals and Implementation Strategies. The Zoning Hearing Officer discussed citizen

comments that were received at the Open House held on October 9, 2023 including:

- Need for housing
- Add prison to regional partnerships in document
- Remove Four-Corners reference from Vision Statement
- Removal of golf course from the Land Use Map
- Add language to address safety for pedestrians in downtown area
- Downtown draining improvements
- Additional parking and better signage for downtown parking
- Add language to beautify and clean up Winslow
- Take time to get this General Plan right; don't rush it

The Zoning Hearing Officer and the City Attorney responded to questions and comments from the Council related to various aspects of the Draft General Plan including:

- Rural Residential Land Use Category
- Expansion of retail development in the Commercial Zoning District east and west of the downtown area
- Expand current and/or create additional Entertainment Districts
- Housing options
- Various language in the Goals and Objectives sections

Ann Schmidt referred to areas that the Council has already addressed and stated that she would like to see a more proactive effort to preserve the city's water resource included in the document. Ms. Schmidt also stated that she attended the Open House on October 9<sup>th</sup> and requested that consideration be given to changing the objective from "Short Term" to "Ongoing" in the Growth and Development Element section related to the airport industrial properties.

The Zoning Hearing Officer encouraged the Council to either email comments directly to him or complete a comment sheet.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the work session of the Winslow City Council held on October 10, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of *October*, 2023.

**Suzy Wetzel**  

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City Clerk