

Quality of Life & Government Services Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: December 10, 2012 **Convened:** 9:47 a.m. **Adjourned:** 10:56 a.m.

Members Present:

Angela Hunt, Chair
Sandy Greyson, Vice Chair
Mónica R. Alonzo
Dwayne Caraway
Carolyn R. Davis

Members Absent:

None

Briefing Presenters

LaToya Jackson
Asst. Dir., Strategic Customer Services

Jimmy Martin
Director of Code Compliance

Tom Lawrence
Asst. Chief of Police

Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Jimmy Martin, LaToya Jackson, Casey Burgess, John Rogers, Rozalind Dickerson, Chief David Brown, Asst. Chief Tom Lawrence, Keith Manoy, Clifton Gillespie

AGENDA:

1. **Approval of October 22, 2012 Minutes**

Presenter(s):

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to approve the minutes of October 22, 2012.

Motion made by: Mónica R. Alonzo

Motion seconded by: Sandy Greyson

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. **Fall Citywide Cleanup Report**

Presenter(s): Joey Zapata, LaToya Jackson

This briefing highlighted efforts of community groups that participated in the fall citywide cleanup on Saturday, November 10, 2012. Twenty-one community groups participated in the event, resulting in the collection of approximately 16.8 tons of trash and brush.

Ms. Davis and Ms. Alonzo expressed support for the citywide cleanup.

The Chair requested that the square footage of graffiti abated be used as a metric for future cleanups.

3. **Occasional Sales (Garage Sales) Ordinance Update**

Presenter(s): Jimmy Martin

The purpose of this briefing was to review the proposed ordinance on occasional sales, commonly referred to as garage sales, and to discuss requirements, permits and enforcement activity. The proposed ordinance allows for sales on approved surfaces (i.e. driveways) in addition to inside enclosed structures (i.e. garages), and up to 5 signs at remote locations advertising sales (on private property, with permission of owner), which must be removed within 24 hours following sales. No permit would be required to hold a sale on the first Saturday in April.

The Chair requested a matrix comparing the current standard with the proposed ordinance.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee recommended the proposed ordinance be amended as follows:

1. Remove language pertaining to non-permitted sale on the first Saturday in April
2. Allow an applicant’s first garage sale permit of the year to be issued at no cost
3. Increase the fee of the second permit in a year to \$25

A motion was made to refer the proposed ordinance, as amended, to the full Council for consideration at an upcoming Council Agenda Meeting.

Motion made by: Dwaine Caraway

Motion seconded by: Sandy Greyson

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

4. Vulnerable Road Users Update

Presenter(s): Asst. Chief Tom Lawrence, Keith Manoy

The committee reviewed the updated proposed ordinance related to bicycles on city streets in concurrent session with the Public Safety Committee. The briefing provided an overview of current laws, covered the differences between the proposed ordinance and existing state law, and addressed bicycle lane markings. Responses were provided to questions and requests from the original presentation to Quality of Life and Public Safety on October 22, 2012.

Mr. Caraway suggested that staff develop an advertising campaign to educate residents about bicycling laws, road signs, and pavement markings.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to refer the proposed ordinance to the full Council for consideration.

Motion made by: Angela Hunt

Motion seconded by: Sandy Greyson

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

Councilmember Angela Hunt
Chair