

MINUTES

Town of Chino Valley

GENERAL PLAN PUBLIC WORKSHOP APRIL 2, 2012

The General Plan Public Workshop of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona convened on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. in the Chino Valley Senior Center, located at 1021 W. Butterfield Road, Chino Valley, Arizona.

Town Staff present included David Nicoella, Associate Planner, Development Services Department and Commander Mark Garcia, Police Department. There were approximately 50 attendees present.

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: Dava Hoffman, Dava & Associates, Inc, Planning Consultant called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and introduced the Workshop attendees to the proposed Agenda items. Members of the General Plan Committee, two Town Council members and one Planning Commissioner introduced themselves to the Public at Dava's request, recognizing them as "ambassadors" to the Public for the General Plan. Dava asked for a show of hands for those living in Chino Valley over 30 years , resulting in only a few; and for those 5 years or less, resulting in a large majority.

2. PRESENTATION: THE GENERAL PLAN: Dava Hoffman gave a presentation on the basics of the General Plan, its components, statutory requirements and process. David Nicoella presented information on existing land use, zoning, and development patterns in Chino Valley. In response to an inquiry, Dava explained the procedures for Major and Minor Amendments to the General Plan. She also related the confusion about properties of the AZ State Land Department held as State Trust Land i.e. that is not considered "Public Land".

3. DISCUSSION & QUESTIONNAIRE: There was a visual presentation provided of areas within Chino Valley, which had been previously selected by the General Plan Committee members, as places of community importance today. This was followed by discussion with the attendees that included additional selections: all types of wildlife; horses and equestrian lifestyle; the Horses with Heart organization; western Town character; agriculture/farming; quietness, especially from lack of heavy street traffic and lack of air traffic disturbances; recycling; sidewalks, bicycle paths, buses; views on undeveloped State Trust lands.

A Questionnaire was then distributed and explained for attendees to fill out. It included assessing Chino Valley's current Assets, Needs/Concerns and Opportunities, as well as future Visioning Characteristics and Attributes. After attendees completed the Questionnaires, they returned them to Dava.

There were questions regarding recent actions of the Town Council re: a shooting range, a proposed airstrip near Perkinsville Road and General Plan costs. Dava informed that all Council meetings are noticed on the Town website and posted and they provide a venue for the public to speak; and Council meetings are also taped and shown on the local Access TV channel for convenient public viewing.

4. NEXT STEPS: Dava provided information and invitation to the Public to attend the next General Plan Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, April 23rd at 3:30 at the Town Council Chambers. At that meeting the responses to the Questionnaire will be summarized and discussed. She also mentioned that the following meeting will be back on the regular schedule, on the second Monday of the month, i.e. May 14th. She reiterated that all General Plan meetings are Open Meetings for the Public and are noticed on the Town website and usual posting locations.

5. ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 P.M.

Minutes Prepared and Dated This 6th Day of April, 2012, By: Dava Hoffman, Planning Consultant