

Minutes
Town of Chino Valley
General Plan Committee June 11, 2012

The General Plan Committee of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona convened for a regular meeting on Monday, June 11, 2012 at 3:30 P.M. in the Chino Valley Council Chambers, located at 202 N. State Route 89, Chino Valley, Arizona.

Dava Hoffman, Dava & Associates, Inc, Consultant, called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

Members Present: Michael Edmonds, Nancy Best, Frank Perkins, Ron Romley, Cheri Romley, Edward Steinback, Marti Klein, Trisha Lamb, Celia Vander Molen.

Members Absent: Dan McGuire, Tom Payne, Norm Freeman, John Morgan

There were approximately five members of the public in attendance.

Staff Present: David Nicolella, Associate Planner, Mary Brasher, Administrative Clerk

1) Welcome

A moment of silence took place for the passing of Jim Bunker. Ron Romley commented that he was shocked and saddened by the news of Jim's death, and felt that Jim was a well-respected citizen of the community.

- Review of May 14, 2012 Minutes. No objections from the GPC.
- Introduction of new GPC members: Dava asked Trisha Lamb and Celia Vander Molen to introduce themselves and their backgrounds.

2) Regional Water and Transportation Issues

- John Munderloh, Prescott Valley Water Resources Manager gave a presentation concerning water resource issues present in Arizona. John explained the background of the AZ Ground Water Management Act and the Active Management Areas (AMA), the five basins contained and regulated in five separate AMA areas, how our groundwater is being managed and why the GWMA was required for federal funding of the Central AZ Project. He then went on to explain that "safe yield" is a goal for a long term balance of ground water withdrawal and recharge, and the different things that are being done in an attempt to achieve safe yield. He explained where our water comes from, what it takes to recharge the aquifer, and explained some of the regulations that have been put in place to help mitigate the impact on our aquifer. One of those regulations commenced in 1999 requires demonstration of a one hundred year assured water supply in order to develop and

sell lots in a subdivision. He explained that our natural and artificial recharges will not achieve safe yield and we will need to find additional water supplies for long term economic success; without a secure water supply, there may be little growth in the economy. John explained some things that are being done to acquire more water as well as conservation methods that are in place, and explained the regional cooperation efforts as well.

- Chris Bridges, Director of Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization (CYMPO) gave a brief presentation explaining what CYMPO is, and discussed transportation projects that have been completed and others that are in the planning stages. He stated CYMPO's main function is regional short- and long-range transportation planning which includes roads, transit, walking paths, biking paths, etc. He displayed a map showing the boundaries of the areas that CYMPO is responsible for, how projects are prioritized and the funding that allows them to complete those projects. Chris explained in more detail where the funds come from and the regulations they must follow to utilize those funds. Chris explained that the population projections from prior plans have been greatly reduced after the 2010 Census, and so they must reevaluate their future projects as well as planning for the maintenance of completed projects.

3) Discussions: Base Data Updates and Other

- Some committee members turned in their collected data on Circulation/ Transportation and Parks/Rec/Open Space; others did not (Land Use and Economic Development); however, some members stated they were working on their data via email. Dava asked for those who did not turn their information in, to please get them completed and turned into her as soon as possible. One committee member commented they were frustrated with trying to get data from Town employees and thought it would be better if someone informed Town employees that committee members will be asking for assistance from them. Dava reiterated that committee members can contact David Nicolella for any assistance they need. Dava commented that the Town needs to have land use assumptions completed and adopted by the end of 2012 to comply with statutes enacted last year that effect Development Impact Fees to be effective in 2014. She hoped to receive the land use and economic development data by the end of next week so it could be discussed at the July 9th meeting.
- Previous handouts on aging baby boomers, Gen Y and the changes that are occurring need to be considered for future population projections, and what facilities will be

needed to accommodate those citizens. Dava commented that she may tie in an exercise about the "Town Vision" with the idea of land use projections.

4) Comments:

- Committee Members: One member asked if there were any rules pertaining to meeting attendance? Dava commented there was no official set of rules. It was suggested that members are expected to give their best effort; if someone isn't able to attend, he or she should communicate that prior to the meeting. Members also requested that a contact list be distributed to the members including e-mail, phone and mailing information.
- Public Comments: None

5) Next Steps:

- Homework: To continue collecting data and return data to Dava by June 22nd or sooner; to think about the Vision statement/baby boomer and Gen Y future needs.
- Next Meeting: July 9, 2012: A schedule of meeting dates through October was emailed to the committee members; the members present were in agreement.

6) ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 P.M.

Prepared and Dated This 13 Day of June, 2012

By: Mary Brasher, Administrative Clerk