

February 20, 2014

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the Council
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CITY OF
TUCSON

PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES
DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Planning Commission Annual Report 2013

The following is a description of the items the Planning Commission reviewed and forwarded to the Mayor and Council in 2013.

Alvernon-Broadway Area Plan Amendment: In May, staff brought forward a request to amend the *Alvernon-Broadway Area Plan (ABAP)*. The owner of the property was seeking a rezoning of the site from R-1 to C-1 zoning. Revising the area plan prior to the rezoning was necessary.

Plan Tucson – The New City of Tucson General and Sustainability Plan: The Planning Commission had two study sessions and four public hearings. In June, the Planning Commission forwarded to the Mayor and Council a recommendation to not place Plan Tucson on the November ballot and to not adopt Plan Tucson.

Infill Incentive District Revision Sub-Committee: As directed by Mayor and Council on March 19, 2013 the Infill Incentive District Revision Sub-Committee was formed. Commissioners Rex, Beeker and Vice Chair Sayler-Brown were appointed by Chair Keith. On August 21, 2013, Commissioner Rex was replaced by Commissioner Patten. In November of 2013, Chair Keith replaced Commissioner Beeker. As of November 2013, Commissioner Patten, Chair Keith and Vice-Chair Sayler-Brown are the appointed members of the Infill Incentive District Revision Sub-Committee. The Sub-committee continues to discuss and review revisions to the IID.

Corrections, Edits, and Clarifications to the Unified Development Code and its Supporting Documents (Administrative Manual and Technical Standards Manual): The Planning Commission forwarded to the Mayor and Council two separate groups of corrections, edits, and clarifications with recommendations to adopt (April 3 and September 18, 2013).

Historic Landmark (HL) Designation Simplification and Reformat: As directed by Mayor and Council on May 21, 2013, staff prepared a text amendment that simplifies the landmark designation process. Staff presented the text amendment at the November study session. In January, the Planning Commission forwarded a recommendation for approval of the text amendment to Mayor and Council.

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Streetcar Land Use Plan: In August, Linda Morales and Tim Johnson from The Planning Center gave an information only presentation to the Planning Commission on the Streetcar Land Use Plan and the Streetscape Design Manual along the Streetcar Corridor. Donovan Durband, City of Tucson Parkwise Administrator, gave an update on the 4th Avenue Business District Public Parking Study.

Sustainable Code Project: In September, staff gave an information only update to the Planning Commission on the Sustainable Code Project. In November, staff presented an information only update on the Sustainable Code Project: Urban Agriculture Text Amendments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ladd Keith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Ladd Keith, Chair
Planning Commission