

# MAYOR AND COUNCIL – STUDY SESSION

## ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY

JUNE 10, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER



Mayor Robert E. Walkup called the Study Session to order at 3:46 P.M. in the Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall Tower, Tucson, Arizona.

### OFFICIAL MEMBERS

#### PRESENT:

Mayor Robert E. Walkup  
Vice Mayor Nina J. Trasoff, (Ward 6)  
Council Member Regina Romero, (Ward 1)  
Council Member Rodney Glassman, (Ward 2)  
Council Member Karin Uhlich, (Ward 3)  
Council Member Shirley C. Scott, (Ward 4)  
Council Member Steve Leal, (Ward 5)

#### STAFF:

Mike Hein, City Manager (departed 5:44 P.M.)  
Mike Letcher, Deputy City Manager (arrived at 5:44 P.M.)  
Mike Rankin, City Attorney  
Roger Randolph, City Clerk

| AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | STAFF ACTION                                                             |
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| 1. Climate Change Adaptation (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-179<br><br>This item was continued to the meeting of June 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2008                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <u>DIR. OF CONSERVATION<br/>&amp; SUSTAINABLE DEV.</u><br>Is responsible |
| 2. West Side Project Update (Ward 1) SS/JUNE10-08-181<br><br>Council Member Romero MOVED and it was duly seconded to accept the recommendations of staff on p. 7-8 of the June 6 memo with the following modifications:<br><br>1) Authorize 41.4 million in funding to commence construction of the Tucson Origins Heritage Park, the ring road, cultural plaza, underground parking, Cushing St. extension and various utilities,<br><br>* infrastructure, etc. in a timely and logically sequenced manner and present for approval to the Rio Nuevo Facilities District Board. | <u>DIR. OF RIO NUEVO</u><br>Is responsible                               |

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| AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | STAFF ACTION                                                                    |
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| <p>2. West Side Project Update (Ward 1) SS/JUNE10-08-181 (continued from previous page)</p> <p>2) Develop a master schedule for West Side redevelopment within 30 days that includes the evaluation of critical project deadlines and escalating construction costs, that takes into account the sequencing of our institutional and private partners' schedules with our own and that is backed by a financing plan designed to meet construction schedules and to ensure the City is a reliable partner with timely delivery of our public infrastructure projects.</p> <p>3) Direct the City Manager to meet in earnest with our financial advisors and institutional partners especially the University of Arizona to develop a financing plan and comprehensive capital improvement plan within 30 days that honors Mayor&amp; Council's commitment and direction on West Side Capital projects including critical path/master schedule objectives.</p> <p>4) Dedicate staff to the production of an operations and marketing plan within 60 days that increases the likelihood of future success of our West Side public projects. This shall include a public discussion of the Tucson Origins orientation/welcoming facility and its proper relationship to the Tucson Origins Heritage Park, assumes free admission and takes into account the question of underlying ownership of the land.</p> <p>5) Deliver as frequently as necessary (at minimum monthly) updates of progress or lack thereof that will allow Mayor and Council to make public policy decisions.</p> <p>Motion PASSED by a vote of 7 to 0.</p> |                                                                                 |
| <p>3. Neighborhood Preservation Zone Land Use Code Amendment (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-180</p> <p>Presentation was made under Regular Agenda Item # 8.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><u>DIR. OF URBAN</u><br/><u>PLANNING &amp; DESIGN</u><br/>Is responsible</p> |

| AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | STAFF ACTION                                       |
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| <p>4. Discussion of Convention Center Hotel and Related Matters (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-182</p> <p>Vice-Mayor Traosff MOVED and it was duly seconded, to direct staff to bring back a purchase agreement with Alan Norville that has different site options and to work with the Hotel Arizona to set up presentations on their valuations with the Hotel Selection Committee and then, if appropriate, the Mayor and Council.</p> <p>FURTHERMORE, it is moved to bring back the Master Consulting agreement with DevCon at a future Mayor and Council Meeting.</p> <p>Motion PASSED by a vote of 7 to 0.</p> | <p><u>DIR. OF RIO NUEVO</u><br/>Is responsible</p> |
| <p>5. Mayor and Council Subcommittee Reports (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-174</p> <p>This item was not heard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                    |
| <p>6. Mayor and Council Regional and National Committee Reports (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-175</p> <p>This item was not heard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                    |
| <p>7. Mayor and Council Discussion of Regular Agenda SS/JUNE10-08-176</p> <p>This item was not heard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                    |
| <p>8. Mayor and Council Discussion of Future Agendas SS/JUNE10-08-177</p> <p>This item was not heard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                    |
| <p>9. Executive Session - Kino Parkway and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Overpass Project (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-184</p> <p>Council Member Leal MOVED and it was duly seconded to enter into Executive Session for Item #9 as noticed in the agenda.</p> <p>Motion PASSED by a vote of 7 to 0.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                    |

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| RECESS: 4:59 p.m.<br>RECONVENE: 5:44 p.m.<br>MAYOR & COUNCIL: All present<br>STAFF: Mike Hein, City Manager absent/excused                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                        |
| Executive Session was held from 4:59 p.m. to 5:44 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                        |
| Vice-Mayor Trasoff MOVED and it was duly seconded to return to open session.<br><br>Motion PASSED by a vote of 7 to 0.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                        |
| 10. Discussion of Kino Parkway and 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street Overpass Project (City-Wide) SS/JUNE10-08-178<br><br>Council Member Leal MOVED to direct staff to put the 22nd Street Overpass Project before the qualified electors of Tucson for approval at the November 2008 election, as provided in the Neighborhood Protection Amendment of the City Charter; and that staff be directed to continue with the design and other work to keep the project on schedule.<br><br>Motion died for lack of a second.<br><br>Council Member Scott MOVED and it was duly seconded, that based on the legal advice provided by the City Attorney, and specifically based on the Arizona Court of Appeals' decision relating to the Aviation Parkway, that staff proceed with the design, placement and construction of the Kino Parkway and 22nd Street Overpass Project without first seeking additional voter approval.<br><br>Motion PASSED by a vote of 6 to 1 (Council Member Leal dissenting). | <u>CITY ATTORNEY</u><br>Is responsible |
| ADJOURNMENT: 5:51 p.m.<br><br><i>VERBATIM TAPE RECORD AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FROM THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                        |