

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST as of March 28, 2014

Date	Request By	Request	Description	Status	Staff Contact	Action
10/1/2013	Weiers	Two hour parking signs in downtown area	Mayor Weiers is asking about the two hour parking signs in the downtown area. Merchants are concerned that the signs are discouraging tourism and shopping in the downtown area.	Scheduled for 4/1 workshop	Cathy Colbath	Staff is evaluating. Will be brought forward to a workshop on 12/3. Consensus was provided on 12/3 for a survey to be drafted and results will be brought back for consideration at a future workshop. Per Council direction, a survey of downtown business has been prepared and a kick-off meeting with the merchants is planned for January 21. Results of the survey and staff's professional recommendations will be brought back to Council in March.
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8/20/2013, 11/5/2013 and 1/21/2014	Sherwood	Review of Camelback Ranch	Requesting a review of options, how did we get where we are today. CM Alvarez, CM Chavira and CM Hugh agree that we need to see where we are financially, how much we owe, how are we paying for it, etc. On 11/5/2013, CM Alvarez stated she would like to review all of the Camelback Ranch contracts as there is a lot of money involved. CM Alvarez will be discussing this information during her district neighborhood meetings. On 1/21, CM Alvarez requested the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority (AZSTA) present to Council at a future workshop regarding funding and what their future plans are. CM Alvarez stated there are a lot of questions in the community.	Completed	Brian Friedman, Michael Bailey and Jean Moreno	Scheduled for 2/18 workshop discussion.
5/31/2013	Weiers	Arrange to allow for the operation of a motorcycle training school out of the Brown Lot	Work with TEAM Arizona to get a license to allow them to operate a motorcycle training school out of the Brown Lot at 91st Avenue and Orangewood.	Completed	Stuart Kent	Completed at 030414 Workshop.

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8/6 and 8/20/2013	Weiers and Chavira	Improve Western Area Regional Park - SW corner of Glendale Regional Heroes Park and develop cost estimates for construction and O&M for the soccer fields	Mayor Weiers (8/16 and 8/20) and CM Chavira (8/6 and 8/20) requested staff develop cost estimates on soccer fields, greening up of a section of the Glendale Regional Heroes Park and an archery range. Mayor Weiers and CM Chavira intend to use the information with potential donors to see if outside funding can pay for construction. Mayor Weiers and CM Chavira brought item up at workshop on 8/20/2013.	Completed	Erik Strunk	At the 03/18 Workshop, Council consensus was to proceed with implementation of this amenity. Staff will administer this program.
8/20/2013 and 01/07/2014	Sherwood	Review Tohono O'odham casino issue	New Council should take a fresh look at all of the issues regarding the casino. No official discussions since 2009. Need a new dialogue with all of the stakeholders to review the issues and start new conversations. CM Hugh and CM Chavira agree that the city needs to start a new dialogue with TO. VM Knaack would like a meeting with TO and all parties involved with a impartial facilitator. On 1/7, CM Alvarez requested the city make a decision on the casino issue and is requesting the city vote on it. CM Alvarez does not want any more money spent on legal fees.	Completed	Michael Bailey	Presented at workshop on 10/15 and 03/18. Consensus to engage in communication with Tohono O'odham and other Indian nations. Conduct an assessment of potential costs to the city's fire, police, transportation and other impacted departments. At the 03/18 Workshop, the majority of Council directed staff to begin negotiations with the Tohono O'odham Nation and for the City Attorney's Office to draft a resolution in opposition of H.R. 1410 for Council consideration at a future voting meeting.
8/20/2013	Sherwood	Sister city	Explore a sister city relationship with one of the Canadian cities that the city will possibly play hockey against (Edmonton, Calgary, etc.). Mayor Weiers, VM Knaack and CM Chavira are supportive of this idea.	Completed, memo sent	Kristen Krey	