

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST as of May 15, 2015

Date	Request By	Request	Description	Status	Staff Contact	Action
5/5/2015	Aldama	Request to adjust library hours	CM Aldama is asking that the 1:00 p.m. opening time for Velma Teague Library be adjusted during June, July, August and September due to the summer heat, and perhaps increase or alternate the hours at Velma Teague as a budget item.	Pending	Erik Strunk	Pending staff action.
5/5/2015	Sherwood	Request for Police Department overage funding	CM Sherwood is asking for Police Department funding overage for staffing above the approved budget.	Pending	Tom Duensing and Chief Black	Pending staff action.
5/5/2015	Sherwood	Request for Fire Department to decrease response time	CM Sherwood is asking the Fire Department to research how they can get back to the 6 minutes, 20 seconds response time.	Pending	Chris DeChant	Pending staff action.
5/5/2015	Weiers	Request to review the Fire Department future plan	Mayor Weiers is asking staff review of the long range future plan for the Fire Department to create an indepth, comprehensive plan that would not hurt the city.	Pending	Chris DeChant	Pending staff action.
4/21/2015	Tolmachoff	Request to make a General Fund transfer to the Enterprise Funds part of the budget process each year	CM Tolmachoff is asking the Finance and Technology Department staff to bring forward a resolution to make a General Fund transfer to the Enterprise Funds part of the budget process each year.	Pending	Tom Duensing	Pending staff action.
3/17/2015	Turner	Request for review of the Westgate media center for library services	This is follow-up to a request made by Councilmember Turner at the March 17, 2015 Council workshop requesting staff analysis as to the feasibility of using a portion of the City of the Glendale Media Center (located at 9494 West Maryland Avenue) for a possible western area branch library. The purpose of this item will be to provide an initial overview of this concept and receive further direction from the City Council.	Tentatively scheduled for June 16 workshop	Erik Strunk	Tentatively scheduled for June 16 workshop

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1/6/2015, 2/3/2015 and 4/7/2015	Hugh, Aldama, Chavira	Rename city streets in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Cesar Chavez	At the January 6, 2015 workshop, CM Hugh stated he would like to have Council consider changing some of the city streets to honor Martin Luther King, Jr. At the February 3, 2015 workshop, CM Aldama requested research on naming a street after Cesar Chavez. CM Chavira agreed with CM Aldama on naming a street after Cesar Chavez and requested that the MLK street and the Cesar Chavez street intersect. VM Hugh requested that the Cesar Chavez workshop request take place at the same workshop as the MLK request.	Pending	Jack Friedline	Presented at the April 7 workshop. Council agreed it was a good idea to rename some streets in honor of MLK, Cesar Chavez and Marty Robbins. A discussion was held regarding renaming the streets in the downtown Glendale area or Westgate area. Council consensus was received to contact the historical society so they can make recommendations. This item will be brought back to a future workshop. Update on 0501 - Planning will have the Historic Preservation Commission review this matter at their May 28th meeting. The Planning Department is working with Public Works advising on any issues based on which streets that may be considered and advising on the manufacturing of appropriate signage.
3/3/2015	Tolmachoff	Establish a city policy regarding assigned seating at events where Mayor and Council are guests	CM Tolmachoff is requesting research regarding staff with assigned seating at events when they are an invited guest at an event. CM Tolmachoff used the example of the Mayor's State of the City Address and said that she understands that elected officials may be asked to sit somewhere else by another guest, but not staff.	Pending	Dick Bowers will review with Council	Pending staff action.

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10/21/2014, 12/02/2014 and 01/06/2015	Sherwood	Add an ordinance to the City Code pertaining to non-discrimination	<p>CM Sherwood is requesting staff review whether an ordinance can be added to the City Code regarding city relations and to pass a non-discrimination ordinance. CM Sherwood stated this would send a strong message on discrimination and show goodwill especially with the upcoming Super Bowl. CM Sherwood also inquired about a Human Resources ordinance and Human Resources Commission. At the December 2 workshop, CM Sherwood requested agenda item #3 (Discussion of Non-Discrimination Ordinance and Human Relations Commission) be brought back to a future workshop.</p>	Scheduled for May 19 workshop	Jennifer Campbell and Karen Kurtz (outside facilitator)	<p>Staff presented at Dec. 2nd workshop. Human Resources will begin implementation of administrative changes. Council consensus was given to proceed with Attachment D, Unity Pledge. Item will be considered for Council approval by resolution at the December 18 voting meeting. This item will be brought back to a future workshop to discuss consideration of a non-discrimination ordinance. Staff presented at the January 6 workshop. Council consensus was received to begin public input with the assistance of a facilitator. The city evaluated proposals from three facilitators and has selected one of the candidates. The city will work with the facilitator to plan and program the public outreach per Council direction and then begin the series of public meetings. Staff will provide future updates. Scheduled for May 19 workshop.</p>

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9/2/2014	Sherwood	Utilize change to Arizona Revised Statute Title 19	CM Sherwood would like the City Clerk's Office to work with the City Attorney's Office to utilize a recent change to the Arizona Revised Statute Title 19 giving towns and cities more authority in running their own elections to come up with an ordinance (or other vehicle) laying out all the particulars. CM Sherwood stated there have been so many changes to the laws over the recent years that are very confusing to the public. CM Sherwood believes that we should define how petitions/referendums are run through the city and whether one needs to be a resident to be able to initiate one.	Pending	Pam Hanna	The City Clerk needs additional time, this request will be rescheduled at a later date. Contact City Clerk for additional information regarding this request.
2/3/2015 and 4/7/2015	Aldama	Donation drop boxes in the city	CM Aldama requested research on donation drop boxes for clothes, shoes, etc. throughout the city.	Tentatively scheduled for September 1 workshop	Sam McAllen and Jon Froke	Presented at the April 7 workshop. A discussion was held regarding regulation of donation drop boxes within the city including adding a permit process and potential adoption of an ordinance as adopted by other cities. Council has directed staff to bring back additional information; therefore, this item will be brought back to a future workshop. To officially begin the Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA), city staff will ask the Planning Commission to initiate the ZTA at their workshop on June 4th. This will allow Planning to open up a file and begin the Citizen Participation process. City staff already have had a couple of informal meetings with industry leaders on donation drop boxes. Tentatively scheduled for the September 1 workshop.

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12/16/2014	Turner	Freedom of Information Act transparency	CM Turner is concerned about transparency and would like to know the process for Freedom of Information Act requests. What happens with the requests, is there any feedback from the entity requesting the information and does it satisfy the request? CM Turner would like to learn what the best practices are for other cities and suggests a low-cost survey be developed to determine if the requesters are satisfied with Glendale's process.	Completed	Pam Hanna	Presented at the April 7 workshop. A general discussion was held with input from the City Clerk's Office and the City Attorney's Office. No further direction was provided by Council.
2/3/2015 and 4/7/2015	Tolmachoff	Change in agenda process	CM Tolmachoff would like to research moving citizen's comments to the start of the voting meeting agenda.	Completed	Pam Hanna	Presented at the April 7 workshop. Council consensus was provided to move citizen's comments to the beginning of the Council agenda and keep the speaking time limit at three minutes. The City Clerk's Office will bring this item back to the April 28th voting meeting for Council consideration of a resolution to change the agenda order.
3/17/2015	Sherwood	Public Safety Update	CM Sherwood requested an update from Public Safety on statistics and needs.	Completed	Chief Burdick and Chief Black	Presented at April 21 workshop.

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4/7/2015	Aldama	Request for renaming of city park	CM Aldama would like staff to research the possibility of renaming Rose Lane Park to honor a deceased Glendale citizen, Enrique Banda.	Completed	Erik Strunk	Presented at May 5 workshop. Direction was received to have the Parks and Recreation Commission discuss the possible inclusion of adding park buildings for re-naming under the existing guidelines. CM Aldama is interested in installing a plaque at the Rose Lane Softball Field in honor of Enrique Banda (at no cost to the city and to be maintained by an outside group). Current Commission guidelines allow this, pending application by outside group and favorable review and recommendation by Commission to Council.
3/3/2015	Aldama	Research updating City of Glendale (COG) website	CM Aldama requested a review of the COG department websites to assure telephone numbers, contact names and department information is correct and updated. CM Aldama requested an update be provided to Council during a workshop session.	Completed	Julie Watters	Pending staff action. Julie Watters had a subsequent conversation with CM Aldama to get further clarification on the request and he stated a memorandum will suffice instead of a workshop presentation. CM Aldama also said he will provide staff with more specifics on the request after obtaining feedback from constituents who discussed the issue with him. After that, a memorandum response will be drafted by staff. A memorandum was sent to Council on April 10, 2015 and posted online for public viewing.