CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST as of August 8, 2014

Date	Request By	Request	Description	Status	Staff Contact	Action
4/1/2014, 4/15 & 8/5/2014	Alvarez	Update on urban irrigation changes	CM Alvarez wanted information on the proposed changes the Water Services Advisory Commission was considering. At the 04/15 workshop, CM Alvarez stated the irrigation item was tabled and said there still needs to be further discussion and she wants to learn more. At the 08/05 workshop, CM Alvarez stated she would still like to learn more about urban irrigation.	Pending	Craig Johnson	An update will be provided to Council in the next 30 - 60 days.
8/5/2014	Weiers	Research zoning code to see if "MIL" could be added	Mayor Weiers is concerned about citizens who purchase property adjacent to Luke Air Force Base (in the noise contour) who may not be aware of military jet activity. Mayor Weiers would like staff to research if there is a way to add "MIL" to the zoning code.	Pending	Sam McAllen and Jon Froke	Pending staff evaluation.
8/5/2014	Chavira	Research bulk pick up advertising methods	CM Chavira requested staff research methods to advertise that would discourage scrappers from going through resident trash ready for pick up by the city. CM Chavira is concerned that crime has increased with scrappers picking through items on residential property and is requesting this be discussed at a future workshop meeting.	Pending	Jack Friedline and Chief Debora Black	Pending staff evaluation.
5/20/2014	Knaack	Research Council discretionary funds	VM Knaack would like to know how other cities use Council discretionary funds. VM Knaack stated guidelines need to be studied and accepted. There are too many questions and Council needs concrete guidelines for discretionary funds. VM Knaack stated discretionary funds should be used for the right things and she is concerned about the gift clause.	Scheduled for September 2 workshop	Brent Stoddard	Pending staff evaluation. Staff will present at a workshop on September 2.
4/1/2014	Alvarez	Diversity on city staff	CM Alvarez requested a discussion regarding diversity at the city. In the past, there were events that celebrated diversity; however, due to budget constraints, those events have been cancelled.	Scheduled for September 2 workshop	Jim Brown	Pending staff evaluation. Staff will present at a workshop on September 2.

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4/1/2014	Martinez	Research short term rental requirements during Super Bowl	CM Martinez and CM Chavira are concerned about short term rentals and issues or concerns during the Super Bowl.	Pending	Jon Froke and Sam McAllen	Staff members have reviewed existing city codes and regulations related to short term rental of residentially zoned properties; currently there is no restriction concerning the length of occupancy related to residential properties. Additional research has been conducted to determine if/how other cities may be addressing similar situations within their jurisdiction. The staff team will be meeting with the City Attorney's Office to review possible implications associated with a possible Zoning Ordinance interpretation or with a change to our Zoning Ordinance. Staff will provide an update on research associated with short term rental homes, often know as vacation rental homes, in residential neighborhoods at a future workshop. The Zoning Ordinance does not define long term and short term residential.
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1/21/2014	Alvarez	AZSTA Review of Camelback Ranch	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	Michael Bailey	AZSTA presented at the 08/05 workshop.