TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
WORK STUDY MEETING
MINUTES
April 17, 2014

Library Auditorium
7401 E. Civic Circle
Prescott Valley, Arizona 86314

1. Call to Order

Council member Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Council Member Grossman, Council Member Mallory, Council Member Marshall, Council Member Whiting, and Council Member Anderson.

Absent: Vice Mayor Nye, and Mayor Skoog.

3. Discussion regarding the Regional Transportation Study

Public Works Director Norm Davis said the Town of Prescott Valley is participating in the Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization (CYMPO) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update which is performed approximately every 5 years. The update is funded through the federal government via the gas tax we pay. It talks about the major transportation corridors we have. They will be 'tuning up' the 2006 study as a study was not done in 2011 due to the lack of growth during the recessionary period. Land use is the backbone of this plan which is based on the 2010 census data.

The professional transportation firm of AECOM began the RTP Update this past November 2013 and has utilized current Census data and land use plans from area governmental agencies to develop travel demand forecasts to identify current transportation needs and projected needs into future horizons for years of 2025 and 2040. ADOT has a state to state model while this plan pertains to our region in Arizona. These traffic models are the basis for establishing project funding priorities for regional needs.

Public Meetings are conducted at two key points in the year-long study process to present study findings and gain resident input for prioritization of short term and long term transportation improvement plans. The first public meeting is to be conducted on Wednesday, April 23rd, between 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and again from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Prescott Valley Public Library Auditorium. Public written comments will be accepted as well as verbal comments during this public process. A flyer and public notice has been distributed to encourage attendance at the meetings. For those who cannot attend, written comments will also be accepted and written into the book. This region works very well together and has completed 9 of the 10 planned projects with the 10th project now funded and under way. Each interchange costs $10 to $15 million, but they provide connectivity, reduce delays and bottlenecks.

No action was taken.

4. *Discussion regarding Traffic Signal Upgrades*

Public Works Director Norm Davis said the Public Works Department operates and maintains 21 traffic signals for safe and efficient traffic mobility. Lee Engineering has recently completed a focused traffic signal timing study to include both recent traffic count data and field observation of traffic turning movements at intersections. Field data collected was added to traffic engineering computer software to update the signal timing model for Prescott Valley's significant roadway corridors. Traffic signal timing updates were uploaded to signals in late March. They took an in depth look at the system to get the best efficiency by using low resolution counting cameras posted on poles at the intersections.

Traffic signal operational cost efficiencies are completed with greater ease with technological advancements that have been installed in existing signals over the years to include LED bulbs, battery backups for power outages, GPS timing clocks, and signal timing controller interface via laptop computer. With LED technology incorporated into the traffic lights, bulbs last 12 years for a $30 cost each.

Streets Department staff is able to link a laptop computer directly to the signal controller in the field to download updated traffic timing data to fine tune signal timing for best condition for traffic mobility. The use of new technology not only saves operational costs but also maximizes traffic mobility. Glassford Hill Road is a good example of the new technology in place. Traffic timing engineers updated Glassford Hill Road when the new Super Walmart was built. Cameras look for a presence on side roads to Glassford. The light won't change to green until it detects a presence on a side road.

Council member Mallory complimented Davis for the Glassford Hill Road improvements which she appreciates given the increase in the traffic in that area. Traffic moves very smoothly now. ADOT has installed 'Systematic Intersection Improvement Converting Signals to Protected Only Left Turn Phasing' on SR69. It restricts impatient drivers from turning on a red arrow. It is much like the technology installed at Lakeshore and Glassford Hill Rd. with pedestrian smart technology at some intersections.

The East Yavapai/Robert Road light is dim according to Council member Marshall. Davis said they will check it.

Davis said little enhancements are made as money becomes available.

No action was taken.

Mayor Skoog arrived during Davis' presentation.

5. *Discussion regarding the Antelope Park Expansion Project - CIP # P366*

Parks & Recreation Director Brian Witty said this is a mid-year project with the program coming forward in FY 14/15. With available funding from this year's savings they hope to advance this one. An engineer's agreement has been endorsed by the Town Manager so that the engineering can be advertised in May with a notice to proceed June 23rd. The project will be reminiscent of Tonto South. It will be an expansion of the turf, path and turf play area, parking lot lighting, security lighting (night time use), expanded curb and parking lot area. It will tie into the Public Works Chip Seal Project, chip sealing the entire parking lot. Work will commence on July 1 and be completed by the end of July.

This park was selected as there is a lot of use in this area and it has a multi-use athletic field. The expansion of the parking lot will accommodate that use and dress the park up. A walking path is also planned for the area. DIF funds will be used.

Town Manager Larry Tarkowski this project fits the purpose of Development Impact Fees and said this park is getting *loved to death* and was not designed to serve the volume of use it gets. This is the second busiest park, after Mountain Valley Park, for use. It serves the area and town nicely. Council member Mallory commented she is excited to see everything that is going on with the parks. The community will really appreciate it.

Tarkowski commented that the past two weekends we have had thousands of people visiting the parks in Prescott Valley who were up here for the soccer tournaments. Parks and Recreation needs to be complimented for the outstanding job they did keeping the parks maintained. Numerous compliments were received about the quality of the turf and maintenance of the parks. Council member Whiting added that the Eggstravaganza event went off very well with a larger crowd attending every year. Compliments to the crew.

No action was taken.

6. *Adjournment*

Mayor Skoog adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

ATTEST:

Diane Russell, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Harvey Skoog, Mayor

STATE OF ARIZONA)
COUNTY OF YAVAPAI) ss:
TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNCIL MINUTES

I, Diane Russell, Town Clerk of the Town of Prescott Valley, Arizona, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Work Study Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Prescott Valley, held on Thursday, April 17, 2014.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this April 18, 2014

Diane Russell

Diane Russell, Town Clerk