

**CITY OF SURPRISE  
GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY GROUP  
MEETING NO. 4  
MEETING MINUTES**

**December 13, 2022  
6:00-8:00 PM  
Council Chambers Overflow Room  
16000 N Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, AZ 85374**

**GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY GROUP**

General Plan Advisory Group (GPAG) convened at 6:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mitchell Rosenbaum, Planning & Zoning Commissioner, Chris McComb, Daniel Gyorffy, Jeff Gibbs, Margaret Lieu, Mark James, Michael Boule, Scott Phillips, Steve Doolittle, Susan Draper, Anthony Robinson, Lloyd Abrams, Community Development Director, Jason Moquin, Planning Manager, Trever Fleetham, Senior Planner, Matthew Klyszeiko, Consultant, Michael Baker Int., and Tristan Black-Colla, Consultant, Michael Baker Int.

**Current Events and Reports:**

Consultant Black-Colla of Michael Baker International reviewed recent, current, and planned efforts outlined below:

Youth Advisory Council presentation was held 11/9/2022. Students were very engaged.

Surprise Party event Sat, 12/3/2022 was rainy but successful

HOA Outreach completed & Stakeholder outreach kicking off.

Beginning to plan Community Workshop #2 with 3 dates and 2 locations.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Item No. 1: Consideration and action to approve the General Plan Advisory Group Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2022**

Approved

**Regular Agenda Item – Non-Public Hearing:**

**Item No 2. The State of Water Presentation & Discussion**

GPAG Member and Water Resource Management Director Michael Boule provided a presentation that addressed water resources and storage, water providers and use and the relationship between the general plan and the water department's planning and approach. Mr. Boule went on to reflect on the water-related goals and policies in the existing General Plan as well as expressed support for their continuation in some form. Discussion centered around the Assured Water Supply and viability of residential development. GPAG members shared their concerns regarding large water-dependent developments adjacent to Surprise that may impact our resources, as well as the differences between the City's water and EPCOR.

**Item No. 3: Character Types and Growth Areas Presentation & Discussion.**

Consultant Klyszeiko re-introduced the existing General Plan Land Use Plan, Character Areas, Development Types, and Growth Areas as well as reminded GPAG members of the existing conditions that often contribute to land use decisions. He summarized feedback received from the public so far and expressed a need to focus on goal and policy rewrites as the Land Use itself is not

expected to change drastically. He went on to describe that the need for a connection between water resources and housing densities should be made in the General Plan update to strengthen goals and policies. Discussion centered around housing and open space policy, landscaping updates, growth area updates, Arizona State Trust Land, floodway preservation, and the potential need for overlays.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

General Plan Advisory Group adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

The foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original document.

ATTEST BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Moquin, Planning Manager

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_, 2022