

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE GOVERNMENTAL MALL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting
February 16, 2018
9:00 a.m., House Hearing Room 1

Members Present:

Kevin DeMenna, Chair

Jeff Dial

Dr. Susan Shaffer Nahmias Ph.D.

Jason Rodgers

Representative Lela Alston, Advisory Member

Carol Shuler

Councilwoman Debra Stark

Jeff Stephens

Members Excused:

Senator Judy Burges, Advisory Member

Nicole Ong

Staff:

Mike Hans, House Research Staff

Jeffrey Ong, Senate Research Staff

Chairman DeMenna called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. and attendance was taken.

REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR APPROVAL

Rick Lavis memorial, Wesley Bolin Plaza

Cheryl Goar, Executive Director, Arizona Nursery Association, representing the greater agricultural community, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation depicting a plaque (Attachment A). Ms. Goar gave an overview of the plaque in memory of Rick Lavis for his contributions to the agricultural community in Arizona.

Dr. Shaffer Nahmias distributed a letter to the Governmental Mall Commission from the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (Attachment B) regarding the review of the proposed Rick C. Lavis Memorial.

Jeff Dial moved the Legislative Government Mall Commission approve the Rick Lavis Memorial. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 7-0-1 (Attachment 1).

Mobilitie Small Cell Installation, Governmental Mall

Jason Mendoza, representing Mobilitie on behalf of Sprint, distributed and explained a handout entitled "About Mobilitie, LLC" (Attachment C). Mr. Mendoza gave an overview of the small cell sites projects and answered questions posed by the Commission.

The Commission discussed the small cell sites project.

Mr. DeMenna requested input from the Department of Administration at the next meeting.

Jeff Dial moved the Legislative Government Mall Commission approve the proposed installation of the Mobilitie Small Cell Equipment. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 7-0-1 (Attachment 2).

Dollar General Store Development, 15th Ave & Van Buren

Mr. DeMenna made remarks regarding Dollar General.

Peter Krahenbuhl, Simon CRE, developer for Dollar General, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Dollar General" (Attachment D). Mr. Krahenbuhl gave an overview of the project to build a Dollar General store at the corner of 15th Avenue and Van Buren in Phoenix and answered questions posed by the Commission.

The Commission discussed the Dollar General project.

Jeff Dial moved the Legislative Government Mall Commission approve the proposed development of the Dollar General Store at 15th Ave. and Van Buren. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 7-0-1 (Attachment 3).

PRESENTATIONS

Metro Light Rail - Valley Metro

Mr. DeMenna made remarks regarding past, present and future projects for the Governmental Mall.

Jennifer Pyne, Valley Metro, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Capitol/I-10 West Light Rail Extension" (Attachment E). Ms. Pyne gave an overview of the possible paths for the Light Rail and the process of choosing which path will be built. Ms. Pyne answered questions posed by the Commission.

Mr. DeMenna requested a presentation on the status of the West Light Rail Extension project at each consecutive meeting.

Monument and Memorial Review - ADOA

Neil Urban, Capitol Planner, General Services Division, Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA), gave an overview of memorials in the Governmental Mall that are in the process of being created and their status. Mr. Urban answered questions posed by the Commission.

The Commission discussed receiving an annual report from ADOA on handicap upgrading for memorials and public accessibility.

Representative Alston mentioned the subject of the removal of Confederate Memorials, to which Commission members made comments.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Jeff Burgess, Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War, gave an overview of a proposed memorial to Union Soldiers who died in Arizona and requested advice on how to proceed.

The Commission discussed the process of placing a memorial in the Governmental Mall.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL UPCOMING HEARING DATES

Mr. DeMenna suggested quarterly dates for Commission meetings and requested the Commission members to contact staff with available dates.

The Commission discussed topics for future meetings.

Attached is a form noting the individual who submitted a Speaker slip on the agenda items (Attachment F).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Ponce
Committee Secretary

(Audio recordings and attachments are on file in the Secretary of the Senate's Office/Resource Center, Room 115. Audio archives are available at <http://www.azleg.gov>)