

**SUMMARY REPORT
FEBRUARY 10, 2009, WORK SESSION**

This summary is a statement of discussions engaged in by the Cottonwood City Council at a work session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(D), and is being provided as required by A.R.S. § 38-431.01(D.).

Council Members Present: Mayor Diane Joens, Vice Mayor Karen Pfeifer, Council Members James Chapman, Tim Elinski, Duane Kirby, Linda Norman, Terence Pratt.

Mayor Joens called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF:

WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE--PRESENTATION BY JOHN RASMUSSEN

This item was postponed because inclement weather prevented Mr. Rasmussen's attendance.

YAVAPAI FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER PRESENTATION BY DIRECTOR KATHLEEN MCLAUGHLIN

This item was postponed because inclement weather prevented Ms. McLaughlin's attendance.

WOOD BURING STOVE AND FIREPLACE REGULATIONS

The Council directed staff to prepare an ordinance which would regulate wood stoves and fireplaces for the purpose of reducing emissions and air pollution. The regulations would apply to new construction or installations occurring after the ordinance came into effect and would not affect units in existence prior to the effective date of the ordinance unless they were to be modified.

DISCONTINUING THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AND AMENDING THE FUNCTIONS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO INCLUDE DESIGN REVIEW

The Council directed staff to prepare amendments to the Zoning Ordinance which would discontinue the Development Review Board as a separate body and merge its functions into that of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The composition of the commission was still to be determined. Three successive absences of a member would require that member to be reappointed.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COTTONWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF NOISE

The Council directed staff to proceed prepare amendments to the Municipal Code which would establish new noise regulations, definitions, and penalties for infringement. The standards and enforcement were aimed at a range of activities which produced excessive

and nuisance type sounds, as expressed by public complaints or repeated police responses.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COTTONWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADDRESS UNRULY GATHERINGS

The Council directed staff to prepare amendments to the Municipal Code which would define unruly gatherings and prescribe penalties for infractions of the Code. The measure intended to reduce disruptions of the peace, underage alcohol consumption, and property damage. It provided that such activity would result in a premises being posted with a notice of an unruly gathering for a prescribed period and penalties for the removal of the notice. It prescribed the responsibilities of the property owner to help remedy the situation. It also prescribed an appeals process and penalties for non-compliance.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at 7:15 p.m.