

## **CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

# **MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

SPECIAL MEETING

5:00 PM

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING CATHEDRAL CITY CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION STUDY SESSION ROOM 68-700 AVENIDA LALO GUERRERO CATHEDRAL CITY, CA 92234

## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stan Henry called the Special Joint Meeting of the Cathedral City City Council and Planning Commission of October 21, 2015 to order at 5:00 p.m.

## • PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member John Aguilar led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## INVOCATION (MOMENT OF REFLECTION)

Council Member Mark Carnevale offered the Invocation.

## • ROLL CALL - City Council

- Present 4 Mayor Stan Henry, Council Member Shelley Kaplan, Council Member Mark Carnevale, and Council Member John Aguilar
- Absent 1 Council Member Gregory S. Pettis

Motion by Council Member Kaplan, seconded by Council Member Aguilar, to excuse the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Greg Pettis. Motion carried all Ayes.

## • ROLL CALL - Planning Commission

Present 6 - Chairman, John Rivera, Vice-Chairman, Anna Rodriguez, Commissioner John Holt, Commissioner William Baker, Commissioner Sergio Espericueta, Commissioner Barry Jaquess Absent 1 - Commissioner Robin Johnson

## • STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION BY DEPUTY CITY CLERK

## 1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Alan Carvalho, Cathedral City, was called to speak. He thanked the Commissioners for volunteering their time. He expressed his concern with comments from the Commission at a prior meeting and the importance of moving forward with developing the City. Valerie Schechter, Cathedral City, was called to speak. She thanked everyone for doing a great job. She feels that a new way of thinking needs to take place in Cathedral City and that the City needs to have their own identity.

## 2. DOWNTOWN HOTEL PROJECT UPDATE

An update was provided by Staff on the Downtown Hotel Project.

## 3. CITY COUNCIL VISION FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The City Council thanked the Planning Commission for their efforts and expressed their desire to move the City forward through economic development.

## 4. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL

The members of the Planning Commission also feel that economic development is important to the success of the City and intend to work together for the betterment of the City. They also indicated that holding a joint meeting was a good idea and they wish to continue this practice.

#### ADJOURN

Mayor Stan Henry adjourned the Joint Special Meeting of the City Council and Planning Commission at 5:57 p.m.

STANLEY E. HENRY, Mayor

ATTEST:

GARY F. HOWELL, City Clerk