

MINUTES
REGULAR WORKSESSION
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA
YUMA CITY HALL
ONE CITY PLAZA, YUMA, ARIZONA
December 16, 2014
6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nicholls called the Regular City Council Worksession to order 6:03 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Wright, Knight, Beeson, McClendon [arrived at 5:35 p.m.], Thomas, Craft and Mayor Nicholls
Councilmembers Absent: none
Staffmembers Present: City Administrator, Gregory K. Wilkinson
Director of Public Works, Joel Olea
Various department heads or their representatives
City Attorney, Steven W. Moore
City Clerk, Lynda Bushong

I. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA OF DECEMBER 17, 2014

Introduction of Ordinances Item A: Ordinance O2015-01 Real Property Acquisition: 3401 S. 18th Avenue and 1771 W 34th Street

Mayor Nicholls declared a conflict of interest, citing that his company is working on this item.

II. RESIDENTIAL ALLEY SOLID WASTE SERVICE

Olea presented the following information:

Collection Data

- 21,000 residential households served
- 5,500 residents receive alley service
- 15,500 residents receive curbside service
- Note: 100% single family homes receive curbside recycling

Alley Collection Challenges

- Illegal dumping
- Over loaded container
- Property damage
- Utility issues
- Neighbor disputes

Cost to convert to curbside

Cost per container	# of containers	Cost to purchase containers	Minus the cost for purchasing the larger containers	Balance to convert to curbside	Annual cost for 3 years
\$51	5,500	\$280,500	\$158,400*	\$122,100	\$40,700
			*over 3 years		

Pro's & Cons

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Eliminate neighbor disputes	Overall change; Residents are use to alley collections
Minimize over loaded containers	Perception; there will be more illegal dumping if we don't have alley service
Reduce illegal dumping	
Reduce property damage	
Reduce dust complaints	

City will still provide:

- Alley maintenance
- Neighborhood Clean Up
- Handicap assistance

Outreach

- Internal communications team
- House to house flyer
- Provide lead time
- Cart roll out

Discussion between Councilmember's Beeson, Craft, McClendon, Thomas, Knight, Wright, Mayor Nicholls and Olea:

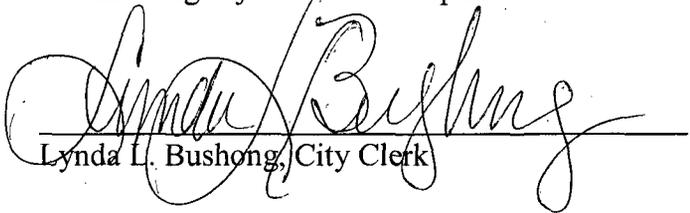
- The larger containers would be auctioned off to recover some of funds.
- Businesses would not be affected by this change; only single family homes.
- The program will run through the budget process and could start as soon as July 1st of 2015.
- Public Works, through their Code Enforcer, is actively educating landscapers on disposal options. Those efforts will need to be stepped up.
- Non-serviceable alleys are being maintained twice a year utilizing inmate crews. That may need to be adjusted as the program moves forward.
- A green waste presentation could be presented to Council at a later meeting.
- The estimated \$40,700 cost to convert to curbside would be absorbed by the Public Works budget without any increases.
- There will be cost savings on the labor side and maintenance side by going to curbside pickup.
- Going curbside will cause less wear and tear on the trucks.
- Approximately 40 people are signed up for the handicap assistance which is available for anyone struggling with the 90 gallon container.

- Locations with alley pickups do also have recycling through the use of a 90 gallon container.
- Each container will be exclusive to the homeowner when converting to curbside recycling.
- No additional staff members and no additional equipment will be required when converting to curbside recycling.

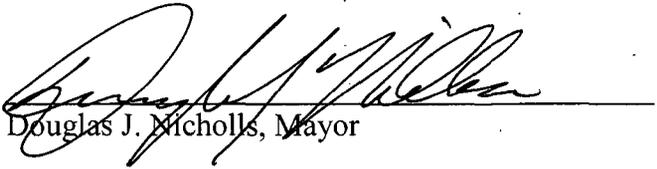
III. ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR POSSIBLE DISCUSSION - NONE

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion (Beeson/Thomas): To adjourn the meeting to Executive Session. Voice vote: **adopted** 7-0.
The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.


Lynda L. Bushong, City Clerk

APPROVED:


Douglas J. Nicholls, Mayor

Approved at the City Council Meeting of:
May 6, 2015
Deputy
City Clerk: Janet L. Perre