

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Arizona convened in Special Joint Session with the Phoenix City Council at 2:00 p.m., March 22, 2005 in the City of Phoenix Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members of the Board of Supervisors present: Max W. Wilson, Chairman, District 4; Don Stapley, Vice-Chairman, District 2; Fulton Brock, District 1; Andrew Kunasek, District 3; and Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. The Phoenix City Council members present were: Phil Gordon, Mayor; Michael Johnson, Vice Mayor, District 8; David Siebert, District 1; Peggy Neely, District 2; Peggy Bilsten, District 3; Tom Simplot, District 4; Claude Mattox, District 5; and Greg Stanton, District 6. Absent: Doug Lingner, District 7. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors; Vicky Miel, City Clerk; David Smith, County Manager; Frank Fairbanks, City Manager; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: (aye-no-absent-abstain).

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Phil Gordon, City of Phoenix
Chairman Max Wilson, Maricopa County (ADM4800)

Chairman Wilson and Mayor Phil Gordon called the meeting to order and introduced their Board and Council. The Mayor welcomed the assemblage to their chambers and commented that this was the first formal meeting of the two councils. Chairman Wilson explained that there were a number of services provided by both the city and county that work in concert with one another and this is a continuing effort to enhance those services.

A number of the Supervisors and Councilpersons commented on various projects that the City and County have worked on together including transportation plans, clean-up projects, and legislative efforts. County Manager David Smith stated that this cooperative effort sends a strong message to the community and to staff that both entities can work together to create efficiencies in government services. City Manager Frank Fairbanks said that the City had already gleaned some insight into working with difficult budget issues and the City was thankful for the help they had received recently from the County dealing with budget cuts.

JOINT CITY/COUNTY COOPERATION RESOLUTION

Item: Consider adoption of a Resolution entitled: Joint City of Phoenix/Maricopa County Cooperation Resolution, which is designed to establish a working agenda to promote cost savings and improved public services to residents and taxpayers. (ADM4800)

Frank Fairbanks, City Manager
David Smith, County Manager

Both Frank Fairbanks and David Smith recommended adoption of the Joint City/County Cooperation Resolution. They explained that staff on both sides had worked on drafting this document and that it was meant to enhance cost savings and increase service levels.

Motion was made by Supervisor Wilcox, seconded by Supervisor Stapley and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve the Joint City/County Cooperation Resolution.

Vicky Miel, City Clerk read the mandatory 24-hour paragraph. Motion was made by the Vice Mayor, seconded by Councilman Siebert and unanimously carried to approve the Joint City/County Cooperation Resolution.

Joint City of Phoenix
Maricopa County Cooperation Resolution

WHEREAS, the City of Phoenix is the largest municipality within Maricopa County and constitutes more than 40 percent of the County's population; and

WHEREAS, both the city and county have been recognized nationally for being models of cost-efficient and effective local governments; and

WHEREAS, both city and county have major responsibilities in providing public services to the community; and

WHEREAS, both the city and county are coping with the challenges of growth-demographically, economically, and in providing expanding public services; and

WHEREAS, both the city and county strive to maintain excellence in providing high quality public services at an economical and affordable cost; and

WHEREAS, the city and county are always interested in innovative and creative ways to save public dollars through collaboration, cooperation, and intergovernmental agreements;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Phoenix and County of Maricopa do hereby establish a working agenda to promote cost savings and improved public services through collaborative and cooperative programs that benefit both city and county residents and taxpayers.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of March, 2005.

UPDATE ON HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS

Item: Presentation regarding the history, current status and client service programs to be provided at the Maricopa County Human Services Campus. (ADM2519)

Linda Mushkatel, Maricopa County Special Projects Manager

Steve Zabilski, Executive Director, Saint Vincent de Paul

Mark Holleran, Managing Director, Human Services Campus LLC, and CEO of CASS

Heidi Birch, Maricopa County, Principal, Capital Facilities Development

Linda Mushkatel, Special Projects Manager, gave an update on the Human Services Campus. In response to a question, Ms. Mushkatel explained that the beds at the center were designated mainly for homeless single men and women while homeless families are referred to more appropriate settings. Supervisor Wilcox added that the center is part of a continuum of care which coordinates services from a number of existing service organizations.

Ms. Mushkatel introduced Stephen Zabilski, Executive Director, St. Vincent de Paul. Mr. Zabilski said that while there is no mandated responsibility, this collaborative effort is a compassionate community response. Mark Holleran stated that the campus participants are Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS), Maricopa Health Care for the Homeless Program, NOVA Safe Haven, St. Joseph the Worker, and St. Vincent de Paul. The campus governance will be provided by the newly-formed Human Service Campus L.L.C.

The Day Resource Center Concept is a unique feature of the campus. The current pilot program is serving approximately 100 persons daily. It is a multi-agency effort with client-driven case management which seeks to reduce bureaucratic barriers to care. The Day Resource Center will provide service referrals, entitlements, housing placements and coordinate other services.

Heidi Birch reviewed the construction aspects of the project including the budget, fundraising efforts, expenditures, the various phases of the project and the progress-to-date. She displayed a map showing the layout of the campus indicating the timeline for the construction covering a period from March, 2002 to July of 2007. The community and economic impacts include a contribution to the revitalization to the area between the Capitol Mall and Copper Square, significant employment opportunities, and alternatives to correctional and health care settings. The presentation also included slides taken during the capital campaign and showing contributors from both the public and private sectors.

Bill Cannon addressed the Board and Council. He explained that he was once homeless and battling alcoholism. He was a recipient of services through these agencies and is now employed as the Client Coordinator for the campus.

Linda Mushkatel said this construction will have a significant community and economic impact to Copper Square and the Downtown Development Plan. Everyone is looking forward to celebrating with a ribbon cutting ceremony for this project.

UPDATE ON JOINT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES BUILDING

Item: Presentation regarding the concept of creating a joint City/County Planning and Development Services building in the downtown area. (ADM811-011)

Joy Rich, Maricopa County, Assistant County Manager

Councilman Simplot commented that he had been on a subcommittee where the beginnings of the idea of a joint facility came to light. Ms. Rich explained that this presentation contains only rough figures and design work as the project planning is still in the beginning stages and there have been no firm decisions on any of the plans or goals at this point.

Ms. Rich's presentation included:

- Staff ratios and percentages for both County and City Services
- Rough square footage estimates for office, public counters and parking space
- Budget figures for both building and parking areas with a total estimate of \$81 million.
- Timeline frameworks with a total schedule of three years
- Architects' renderings of preliminary ideas for building location and design

Councilwoman Bilsten commented that with the completion of the light rail project the number of parking spaces may be able to be reduced. The two boards discussed various aspects of the convenience of having the city and county planning services combined at one location.

BEST PRACTICES OF COUNTY CRIME PREVENTION PROJECTS

Item: Presentation regarding Maricopa County's targeted investments and partnerships in crime prevention. The County's "best practices" focus has been on reducing risk factors for juvenile delinquency, substance use/abuse and truancy in targeted areas. (ADM1400)

Cheryl Townsend, Maricopa County, Director, Juvenile Probation

Cherlyn Townsend presented information regarding the County's Regional Crime Prevention Initiatives. She began with the department's definition of prevention which is..."the promotion of those attitudes, activities, and behaviors that create and maintain safe and vital communities where crime and delinquency cannot flourish."

Ms. Townsend proceeded to display a timeline of the County's investment in this project starting in 1996 with programs including Project A.I.M., First Safe Schools Grant, S.A.F.E.T.Y., a Regional Crime Prevention Council, and JAIBG Partnerships. The maps she displayed indicated the targeted crime prevention areas. Maricopa County invested in:

- Before and after school mentoring
- Enrichment activities
- Parent education
- Field trips
- Community gardens
- Neighborhood Coordinators
- Truancy prevention initiatives and programs

Since 1997 there has been an increase in the youth population in Maricopa County of 26%. Through the innovative programs, there has been a decrease in violent offense referrals of 33%. Ms. Townsend further supported the information presented with several graphs and charts indicating the effect of the targeted investment versus other areas in the County.

OVERVIEW OF THE VIOLENCE IMPACT PROJECT

Item: Presentation and information about the Violence Impact Project (VIP), an innovative crime suppression program implemented by the Phoenix Police Department in October 2003. The program's goal is to make Phoenix the safest major city by eliminating violent crime in targeted areas, through the collaborative efforts of law enforcement and the community. (ADM4800)

Peter Van Haren, City of Phoenix, Deputy City Manager
Chief Jack Harris, City of Phoenix, Chief of Police

Assistant Chief Donald Swanson and Mike Frazier of the Police Department presented the Violence Impact Project (VIP). They explained that the project was created in September of 2003 to impact homicide increases and overall violent crime. The stated mission was "To make Phoenix the safest major city by eliminating violent crime through the collaborative efforts of law enforcement and the community." The external partners included Federal, State and County resources and agencies as well as Community resources such as neighborhood groups and associations. In addition, the City Prosecutor's Office and the Neighborhood Services Department partnered with the Police Department as internal partners. The VIP steering committee and the three major focus groups analyzed violent crime in the city in order to target one specific area as the project area.

The focus area was Central City, bounded by McDowell Road, 32nd Street, Washington Street and 7th Street. Action plans were developed for the major crimes in the area including robbery prostitution, drug buys and gang activity. Over a nine month period the statistics show an overall decrease in violent crime of 26.5%.

A second target area was identified – the Black Canyon VIP bounded by Glendale Ave., 19th Ave., Indian School Road and 35th Avenue. After a study of the crime in this area, the team developed different strategies to decrease crime based on the major factors in the area. Action plans included programs targeted to specific criminal activity and included a fugitive apprehension roundup. Over a seven month

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period the crime rate was reduced by 12.4% in this area, with a significant decrease of 20.8% in property crime.

This project is now in the evaluation stage. The collection of data and development of the action plans were found to be critical factors. Supervisor Wilcox asked if an anonymous call line had been used. Deputy Chief Swanson replied that they had used the silent witness line as well as having a significant law enforcement presence. People began to talk to them about the problems in their area.

Supervisor Kunasek suggested that these statistics could be compared to the cost of criminal activity, possibly even doing a cost analysis of the savings realized by this type of program. Members of the Council indicated that this would be a significant factor in budget considerations. They also discussed the efforts necessary to maintain or further reduce violent crime in these areas.

Both councils thanked the other for this historic meeting and for mutual support of various projects common to both interests, including support for Luke AFC and the new ASU downtown campus.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Max W. Wilson, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board

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