

## City Council Retreat Agenda, January 9 and 10, 2009

### Group Publishing

**Friday** 8:30AM Continental Breakfast; Introductions, Review of the Format and expectations

9:00 **A. OPERATING BUDGET ANALYSIS**

Staff presentation will include projected 2008 Financial Summary, status review, revenue and expense forecast for 2009, update on investment portfolio status (if changes), and recommendations and options for possible changes to the 2009 Budget.

County Assessor will present on property devaluations' impact to future budgets.

Council discussion and direction to staff on possible changes.

11:00 **B. DOWNTOWN**

Staff presentation on scope of improvements to the downtown, current urban trends, effects of streetscape and parking garage, infrastructure needs and timing, and reasons pro and con moving ahead.

Council discussion on the downtown.

12:00 **LUNCH**

12:45 **C. CURRENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Staff presentation explaining projected changes affecting CIP making it no longer achievable.

**D. AMEND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Staff presentation will offer options to close financial gaps, possible phasing of projects, status report on near term projects, and possible private investment that will be stimulated by public investment in the downtown.

Council discussion and direction to staff on suggested funding options and prioritization of CIP projects.

4:15 **Adjourn**

6:00 Dinner and Show at Candlelight Theatre

**Saturday** 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast; Recap of Friday and Review of upcoming Saturday by facilitator

9:00 **OPEN FORUM TIME**

Completion of discussion of topics not finished on Friday.

Councilors have 10 minutes max to present on new topics of their choice that have not been discussed. Some of those suggested topics include: annual review and possible raises for Council; changes to Visual Arts Committee discretion on choices of art and location and 1% funding; quiet zones; and succession plans for city manager, city attorney and municipal judge.

Review the past two days and give staff direction on 2009 study session requests.

11:00 **COUNCIL MEETING PROCEDURES/PAST YEAR ASSESSMENT**

Council discussion on what has worked and what has not been working during the past year. Some suggested topics may be: amount of discussion time for regular agenda items; how the agenda is set; how changes to the agenda are to be accomplished; pulling items off the consent agenda; new format agreed to at last retreat for conducting deliberation, questions and public hearings. This is Council's opportunity to air their concerns and reach some consensus on Council meeting procedures.

Noon **Adjourn**