



# City of Prescott

## General Plan Committee

October 25, 2023 | 2:00 PM  
201 N. Montezuma Street  
Council Chambers, 3rd Floor  
Prescott, AZ 86301

### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gambogi called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Ted Gambogi, Chair  
Terry Sapio, Vice-Chair  
Andre Carman - Absent  
Mary Frederickson  
Ralph Hess - Excused  
Jim Huffman  
James McCarver - Absent  
Don Michelman  
Rod Moyer  
Deborah Thalasis - Absent  
Gary Worob

#### 3. OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

A. Member of the public, Mike Parrish, speaking as a member of the Sundog DISConnect group, commented that the group does not want the Sundog Connector Road to be included in the 2025 General Plan.

#### 4. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of September 27, 2023 General Plan Committee Meeting Minutes.  
**MOTION BY MEMBER WOROB TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 GENERAL PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES; SECONDED BY MEMBER MOYER: PASSED (7 - 0)**

B. Nomination and Selection of New General Plan Committee Vice Chair.  
**MOTION BY MEMBER MICHELMAN TO DEFER THE NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF VICE CHAIR TO THE NEXT GENERAL PLAN MEETING; SECONDED BY MOYER: (7 - 0)**

Deputy City Attorney Matt Podracky advised that the City Council appoint the next Chair and Vice Chair for the General Plan Committee.

C. Presentation and Discussion from the Public Works Traffic Engineer Regarding the Circulation Element.

Ian Mattingly, Transportation Manager, provided a presentation on the circulation element of the general plan.

Chair Gambogi asked if there is an analysis of how much traffic is on each

roadway today and a projection for maybe 10 years into the future.

Mr. Mattingly responded that through the City's membership with CYMPO (Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization) they have access to that information with the regional transportation plan that is mandated to be done every 5 years.

Chair Gambogi asked what the Great Western Corridor is.

Mr. Mattingly stated that it is future roadway in the study stages that would run mainly north and south and begin north of Highway 89A just west of Prescott Valley and travel up to the Chino Valley Area.

Member Frederickson asked if the future Great Western Corridor would be in the airport overlay area.

Mr. Mattingly advised the possible future Great Western Corridor is a few miles east of the airport overlay area.

Member Worob commented that curb cutting can help lead to adding water to the aquifers and it should be mandated to be included in new developments along with capturing storm water.

Member Michelman asked how the city determines if intersections should be a traffic signal or a roundabout.

Mr. Mattingly responded they have engineering documents with design standards and criteria that guide a civil engineer to either a signal or a roundabout based on the needs of the intersection.

Member Michelman asked if studies have been conducted on the operating cost a signaled versus roundabout intersection.

Mr. Mattingly stated that studies have been done and generally roundabouts cost more upfront, but a signal will have more ongoing costs.

Member Frederickson asked about the relationship between CYMPO and city regarding weight given to CYMPO's recommendations.

Mr. Mattingly responded CYMPO is made up of local leaders that work together to create planning documents and then it is up to the local government to make their own decisions on those plans.

Member Moyer advised he has a concern regarding traffic counts with growth happening in North Prescott and business will also move that way so may shift some traffic that way, too.

Mr. Mattingly responded they work with the most recent data available and have a new set of data at least every 5 years, usually do not see a drastic shift in the 5-year timeframe.

D. Presentation & Discussion from the Martin Luther King Committee Regarding Adding Antidiscrimination Language to the General Plan.

Presenting Committee Member Jim Helbling provided a presentation.

Member Frederickson asked who was surveyed.

Mr. Helbling responded the Prism Network sent out the surveys to organizations they work with including local colleges and schools.

Chair Gambogi asked what areas the survey was sent to.

Survey results showed respondents lived in quad city areas and few other cities.

Member Michelman asked if he thought if the antidiscrimination wording was included in the general plan would that reduce discrimination.

Mr. Helbling advised, since the General Plan is voted on by the public, they think it is a good start.

Vice Chair Sapio asked if the city proposed an anti-discrimination ordinance, how would that look and ensure that everyone is treated fairly, and free speech rights are not violated.

Mr. Helbling responded that 11 other Arizona cities have anti-discrimination ordinances so those would be good places to start from.

Member Frederickson asked what department in the city would this element fall under.

Ms. DeWitt advised it would fall to the General Plan Committee.

E. Presentation & Discussion of Physical Setting and History Chapter of the General Plan.

Planner Ms. DeWitt provided the discussion by showing the committee what the working document of each element will look like.

Member Worob commented that he appreciates the interaction with staff.

Ms. DeWitt advised if committee members are interested in a specific element, they can get together with the applicable staff to work together on updating the specific element.

## 5. UPDATES

Next General Plan Committee meeting scheduled for November 29th.

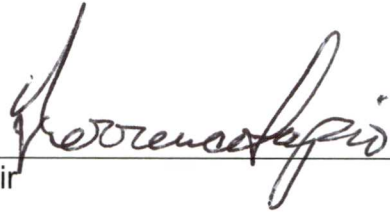
Ms. Walton commented that a city survey went out and results are due back in December. The questions and results can be beneficial for the committee to review.


Member Worob thanked Mayor Pro Tem Montoya and Chair Gambogi for being out in the community and available to the public to speak to.

Chair Gambogi thanked the public for participating in the General Plan meetings and impressed it is important to communicate the plan to the public so they are aware their vote is needed.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Gambogi adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

  
Chair

  
Torey Dawson, City Clerk Specialist