



MINUTES

FLAGSTAFF CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU TOURISM COMMISSION

September 25, 2018 – 1:30 p.m.

City of Flagstaff – Council Chambers, 211 W Aspen Avenue, Flagstaff, AZ



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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Grogan called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Debbi Grogan, Chair, **present**

Lynda Fleischer, Vice-Chair, **present**

Molly Baker, **absent excused**

Frank Benitez, **present**

Dino Dullbson, **present**

Joe O'Donnell, **absent excused**

Caleb Schiff, **absent excused**

As a reminder, if you are carrying a cell phone, computer, two-way radio, or other sound device, we ask that you turn it off at this time to minimize disruption to today's meeting.

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Arizona Open Meeting Law prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on an item which is not listed on the prepared agenda. Commissioners may, however, respond to criticism made by those addressing the Commission, ask staff to review a matter, or ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. Each public comment is limited to **three** minutes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 28, 2018

MOTION:

Commissioner Fleischer made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Dullbson seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION

A. Sound Ordinance Update, Claire Harper, Recreation Supervisor

Claire Harper, Community Events Supervisor informed the Commission that the Council requested to review the sound level regulations for special events, including the maximum decibel level, a discussion on the bass level, and consideration of possible changes to these sound limits. MD Acoustics was hired to perform a sound study during a permitted special event in Wheeler Park on June 2, 2018. The current Sound Ordinance is at 90 decibels for special events on city property only. MD Acoustics made recommendations to City Council to stay at 90 decibels or 100 DBC (with more base sound). At that time the council gave direction to lower the decibel to 75 DBC, which is a reduction of 150% of the 90 decibels.

Question & Answers:

- Chair Grogan asked which councilmember asked for the study? Ms. Harper said this request was over a year ago and couldn't remember and will get back to the Commission on the answer. Ms. Harper also commented that the council would like to make a decision by December 11, 2018. This subject was discussed at the August 28, 2018 council meeting. You may stream the council meeting for more information.

- Commissioner Fleisher asked if there is still time to ask for Public Comment. Yes, there is still time to contact the City Council.
- Chair Grogan asked if these levels change throughout the day? The answer was no. The sound decibels should be stopped at 9 p.m. at Wheeler Park and all other parks the sounds should end at 10 p.m.

The Commissioners agreed that this change will affect events and tourism. The Chair stated she will notify other event planners and attend the council meetings to speak on behalf of the Sound Ordinance recommended change.

6. REPORTS

Director/Market Update

Staff gave monthly reports for August 2018: Administration, Marketing & Creative, Public Relations, Tour & Travel, Meeting Sales and Visitor Center.

A. Outside Agencies

None

B. Chairman

None

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO AND FROM COMMISSIONERS

Chair Grogan mentioned the upcoming Oktoberfest on October 6, 2018. 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Wheeler Park.

8. AGENDA ITEMS AND TIME/DATE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

Commissioners are concerned about the recent Reclaimed water increase and asked why this was done and if it will affect attractions such as the Arizona Snowbowl and city residents. Director Ward will have someone attend the next meeting.

Next meeting date: October 23, 2018

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m. by unanimous consent.