

**PAGE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 28, 2015**

A Work Session Meeting of the Page City Council was held at 5:00 p.m. on October 28, 2015, in the Council Chambers at City Hall in Page, Arizona. Mayor Bill Diak presided. Vice Mayor Kocjan (arrived at 5:24 p.m.), Councilors Mike Bryan (arrived 5:39 p.m.), Scott Sadler, Levi Tappan, David Tennis and Dennis Warner were present.

Mayor Diak called the meeting to order.

Staff members present: City Manager, Crystal Prentice; City Attorney, Joe Estes; Community Development Director, Kim Johnson; Police Chief, Frank Balkcom; Police Lieutenant, Tim Lange; Deputy City Clerk, Sue Kennedy; and City Clerk, Kim Larson.

Discussion by the City Council pertaining to Code Compliance Program

At the September 23, 2015 Work Session, the City Council continued to discuss a Code Compliance Program for the City of Page. The Council provided feedback and came to consensus on a number of issues presented. The consensus was on the following items:

- Enhancement of the General Nuisance Definition as in the language in the Kanab and Sedona Codes.
- Adding Attractive Nuisance to the list of nuisances and defining it.
- Moving electric fences from Chapter 10 to Chapter 9, and ultimately adding language in this regard to the updated Zoning Ordinance.
- Adding regulations related trash and recycling containers in Service Commercial district, storage location or screening and curb location and time limits for residential trash cans, as well as provisions that lids must close completely.
- Remove Graffiti regulations from Chapter 9, leaving them in Chapter 10 (Police).

UNADDRESSED CODE ISSUES

Several code issues were undecided and are in need of additional discussion. The narrative, recommendations, and staff questions related to these issues can be found in the attached September 23, 2015 memorandum. Also attached is a Comparative Matrix of Code Requirements from other communities. Items that need additional discussion include:

- Outdoor Storage and Recreational Vehicles/Boats/Personal Watercraft/Trailers Storage and Parking
- Refrigerators/Appliances
- Unsightly Premises
- Vegetation
- Vehicle Parking/Storage

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CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AND APPROACH

This topic was not discussed due to time constraints. Please find the narrative and recommendations related to this topic in the attached September 23, 2015 memorandum.

REQUESTED COUNCIL DIRECTION

Staff would like to hear from the Council its primary concerns and issues related to code enforcement as well as have a discussion of the type of proactive code enforcement approach that would be best for the City of Page and its citizens.

There was discussion on the subject of Unsightly Premises ranging from phrasing the code in very broad terms like Sedona, Arizona uses, to using very specific language, to leaving the entire description of what is unsightly out because all of the other sections address this issue. Councilor Warner and Mayor Diak suggested that a “standout offense” would be different depending on the neighborhood.

Councilor Warner stated that the bar should be set high in order to give Code Enforcement the full tool-box necessary to clean things up.

City Attorney Joe Estes stated that if it becomes clear that changes are later needed, the code can be amended. In that regard he pointed out that the Board of Adjustment, in many cities is a part of Council, the decision making body, and not a separate board.

On the subject of Vegetation, there was discussion regarding control, height limitations, and fire hazards.

On the subject of Vehicle Parking/Storage, Mayor Diak stated that this might be an area where once again, what is appropriate in each neighborhood may be different, and language to that effect may be necessary.

Vehicle Parking/Storage discussion centered around issues relating to on-street parking, on-property parking, boats and recreational vehicles, parking locations and number of vehicles allowed.

Councilor Sadler stated that a draft should be written up to see what it would look like, and Community Development Director Kim Johnson stated that Staff has enough direction to come up with the language, and then Council can vote on it.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Sue Kennedy
Deputy City Clerk



William R. Diak
Mayor