

**SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF ELOY REVITALIZATION
COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 22, 2023
3:00 p.m.**

I. Call to Order

After some discussion regarding what constitutes a quorum, and in the absence of Chairperson Peters, Ralph Varela called the meeting to order at 3:07 pm.

II. Roll Call

Members present included:

- David Christenson
- Ralph Varela
- Allen Crawford
- Ex-Officio/City Councilman - Daniel Snyder

Members Absent:

- Eddie Peters (excused)

Staff present:

- Jon Vlaming, Community Development Director
- Jeff Fairman, Economic Development Specialist
- David Malewitz, City Manager

Others present:

None

Note - One or more members of the Revitalization Commission may attend by telephonic means

III. Call to the Public

No response.

IV. Motion to Approve the April 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes of the Revitalization Commission

Commissioner Varela asked for a motion to approve the October 12, 2022 meeting minutes. Commission Member Christenson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Crawford seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

V. Old Business: Possible Discussion and/or Action on the Following:

- A. Staff updated the Commission on the Technical Assistance Panel by the Arizona Chapter of the Urban Land Institute on April 18, 2023 (tentative).
 - Mr. Vlaming identified that the Urban Land Institute conducted a Technical Assistance Panel in 2015. A document was prepared to memorialize the work and

directions expressed during this day-long event. Concurrent with the preparation of the upcoming Downtown Master Plan and work on the Downtown Vision Plan, staff would like to utilize this event to update the work done in 2015, identify the inroads that the City has made during that time, and utilize their expertise to underpin directions in the Master Planning process.

B. Staff provided an update on the Completion of the Painting on the Building Columns on Both sides of Main Street, from Frontier Street to 5th Street.

- Mr. Fairman commented that the City engaged an artist to paint scenes on each of 57 columns along Main Street to highlight Eloy activities including skydiving, agricultural activities, local color and culture and much more. He discussed the dozens of affirmative comments received on various social media platforms. Also discussed was the opportunity for additional art on building walls to enhance the work already completed.

VI. New Business: Possible Discussion and/or Action On The Following:

A. Staff presented a framework for the establishment of a volunteer committee of the Eloy Revitalization Commission for the Commission's consideration and approval.

- The Commission unanimously approved the Volunteer Committee concept and structure as a new tool to get specific projects done by the Commission throughout the City as needed.

B. Commission to consider and nominate one of its members to serve as the inaugural volunteer committee leader.

- As there are no projects on the immediate horizon, this item was tabled.

C. Commission to accept Staff's support for the involuntary resignation of Ms. George Hargis and conduct a subsequent search for a new Revitalization Commission member.

- After a brief discussion this action was unanimously approved.

D. Commission to nominate and elect a Chairperson for Calendar Year 2023

- It was confirmed that Eddie Peters will be the Revitalization Commission chair for 2023

E. Commission to nominate and elect a Vice Chairperson for Calendar Year 2023

- It was confirmed that David Christenson will serve as the Commission Vice-Chair for 2023

VII. Communications:

A. Ex-Officio Member Announcements

- City Council Member Dan Snyder discussed the proposal by members of the State Legislature to eliminate certain restaurant and bar taxes in Arizona and the negative affect that would have on rural community budgets. He encouraged everyone to write to our representatives and ask that they veto this attempt.

B. Community Development Director Announcements

- Mr. Vlaming discussed the upcoming Planning and Zoning Work Session and meeting where the primary topic will be the utility scale (large) solar generation projects, location and requirements. This is an additional outreach exercise to receive as much public input as possible leading to a recommendation by the City's Planning & Zoning Commission and eventual decision by City Council on these locations, regulations and standards.

VIII. Good of the Order

- A general conversation took place regarding animal control regulations, the City's budgeting process and what will be required to attract new members to the Commission.
- The next Revitalization Commission is scheduled for April 26, 2023 in the Eloy City Hall Executive Conference Room.

IX. Motion to Adjourn

- Commissioner Varela asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Christenson made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Crawford seconded. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.