

**WORK STUDY SESSION  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE  
EL MIRAGE MUNICIPAL COURT/COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD  
6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2010  
(Immediately after adjournment of Regular Meeting)**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michele Kern at 6:12 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL** - Present: Mayor Michele Kern, Vice Mayor David Shapera, Councilmember Roger Cleveland, Councilmember Roy Delgado, Councilmember Ben Lewis, Councilmember Adam Super.
- III. **WORK SESSION**

All items listed under the Work Session will be only discussed, there will be no action (vote) taken. The Council may provide direction to City Staff on how to proceed.

- A. Grand Avenue Corridor: discussion
  - 1. Transportation
  - 2. Re-Development
  - 3. Land Use

Economic Development Director Chesney presented an overview of the possibilities regarding the development potential along Grand Avenue. The potential of a commuter rail and impact of the City was discussed. Various funding options were discussed: grants are available; private and public investment options.

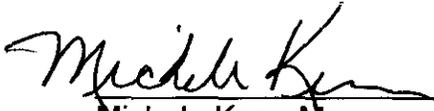
- B. The City Attorney will provide Council an update on the state open meeting law requirements.

City Attorney Flaaen presented a brief refresher regarding the State's Open Meeting Law requirements. Mr. Flaaen stated that elected officials speaking one-on-one is not illegal as long as they do not agree on each is to vote, they must also be careful if they discuss the same item with another elected official because a conflict or an illegal meeting might occur if a majority of the board has discussed an item prior to the meeting. This includes the use of email, whether an original email is sent or has been forwarded to other members of the board. There are only seven (7) reasons to hold meetings in executive session and the most common of executive sessions are for the discussion/updates regarding pending litigation and to provide direction to Staff. There is no formal action taken in executive sessions, if the executive session results in the need for action, all action must take place in an open meeting. The "Call to the Public" portion of the agenda is not required by State Statute. After the

Call to the Public, the Council may: (1) ask staff to review and discuss with the resident; (2) ask staff to place item on a future agenda for discussion; or (3) respond to individual criticisms expressed.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

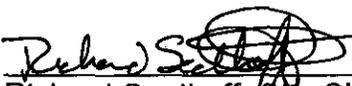
Mayor Kern adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

  
Michele Kern, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Richard Saathoff, City Clerk

I hereby certify the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate record of the City of El Mirage Work Study Session Meeting held February 25, 2010.

  
Richard Saathoff, City Clerk