

<u>SURPRISE</u> ARIZONA

Michael Baker

#### GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING #1



# **Meeting Purpose**

- 1. Introduce the General Plan 10-Year Update project, team and process.
- 2. Engage in an interactive discussion to identify city-wide issues, opportunities or challenges that may influence the General Plan Update effort.

# **Project Team**

### **City Staff**

Jason Moquin – Planning Manager/City Point of Contact Lloyd Abrams – Assistant Director, Community Development Trever Fleetham – Senior Planner

### **Consultant Staff**

Kevin Kugler, AICP – Project Director (Michael Baker International)
Matt Klyszeiko, AICP – Project Manager/Point of Contact (Michael Baker International)
Tristan Black-Colla, AICP – Project Planner (Michael Baker International)
Steven Sifferman, AICP- Project Planner and GIS Specialist (Michael Baker International)
Judie Scalise – Economist (ESI Corporation)

# **General Plan Advisory Group (GPAG)**

**Bill Lally-** Land Use Attorney, TB Law **Chris McComb**- Imagine Preparatory Academy Daniel Gyorffy- City of Surprise Resident- Asante **Dennis Tyner**- Ottawa University President Harrylouis Rodriguez- Veterans, Disability & Human Services Commission Holly Medina- West Mec Campus Administrator Jay Leonard- City of Surprise Resident- Sierra Verde, Owner/Operator of Secure Source USA Jeff Gibbs- City of Surprise Resident - Sun City Grand Jennifer Breading- City of Surprise Resident Kent Xander- Land Broker Margaret Lieu- Art Commission

Mark James- Luke AFB, Community Initiatives Michael Boule- City of Surprise Staff- Water Resource Management

Mitchell Rosenbaum- Planning & Zoning Commission

**Scott Phillips-** Developer, Carefree Partners Investments

**Steve Doolittle**- City of Surprise Resident - Sun City Grand

**Susan Draper-** City of Surprise Resident -Sycamore Farms

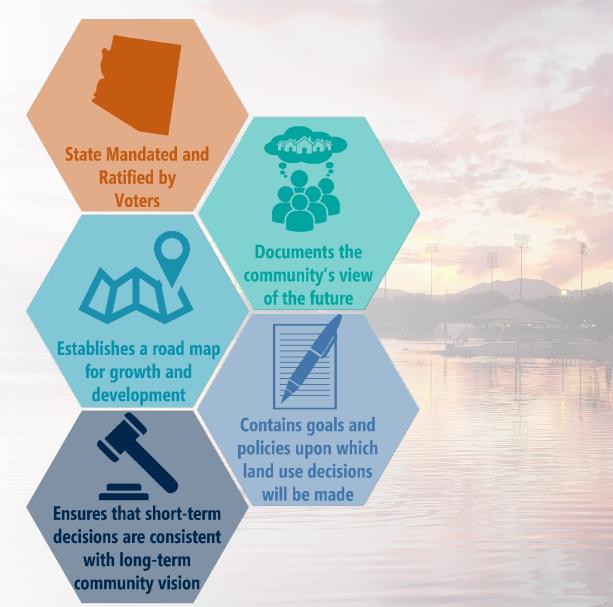
Taylor Earl- Land Use Attorney, Earl & Curley

**Tony Robinson**-Informal invite pending the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Appointment

### **GPAG Role & Responsibilities**

- A source of insight on the community, its interests and expectations
- Inform City Staff and the Consultant Team of information that is valuable to the process or issues/opinions that should be taken into consideration as part of the Update effort
- A source of ideas to achieve a complete and responsive plan
- A sounding board for ideas and proposals presented by City Staff and the Consultant Team
- Pass along knowledge to the community on General Plan related topics

### What is a General Plan?



#### **Required Elements**

- Land Use
- Circulation (Roadway Systems, Transit, Alternate Mode)
- Growth Areas
- Recreation & Open Space
- Revitalization & Redevelopment
- Neighborhood Preservation
- Environmental Planning
- Water Resources
- Conservation
- Energy
- Public Services & Facilities (Utilities)
- Public Buildings
- Housing
- Safety
- Cost of Development

#### **Elective Elements**

- Economic Development
- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Health

### How is the General Plan Used?



# **Surprise General Plan**

#### **Chapter 1: Development**

- Growth Areas
- Land Use
- Economic Development

#### **Chapter 2: Quality of Life**

- Neighborhood Planning
- Housing
- Conservation, Rehabilitation, & Redevelopment
- Recreation & Open Space
- Education
- Arts & Culture

#### **Chapter 3: Transportation**

- Roadway Systems
- Transit
- Alternate Modes

#### **Chapter 4: Resources**

- Environmental Planning
- Conservation
- Water Resources
- Energy

#### **Chapter 5: Finance, Infrastructure, and Services**

- Cost of Development
- Public Buildings & Services
- Public Utilities
- Health & Safety

#### **Chapter 6: Implementation**

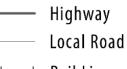
- Administration Procedures
- Implementation Initiatives
- Implementation Strategy Matrix

# Surprise Planning Area

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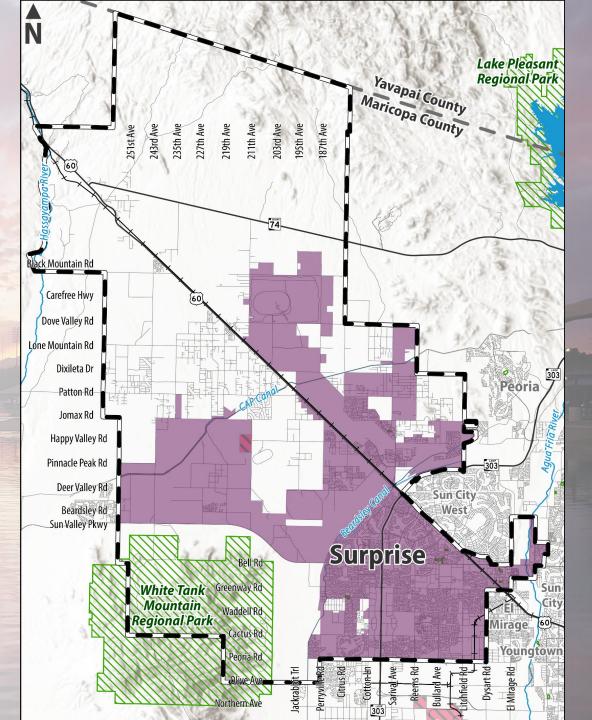
Surprise City Limits Surprise Planning Area County Boundary **Regional County Park** Luke Air Force Base (AFB) & Auxiliary Field 💛 Canal



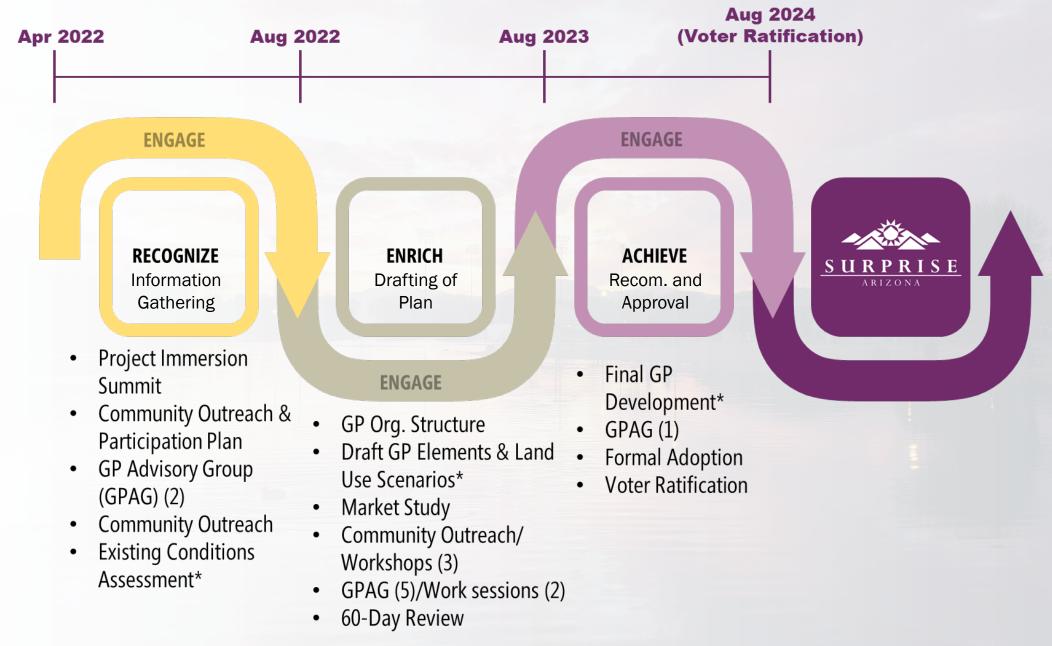
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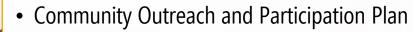
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### **General Plan Process**



## **Community Outreach Plan**



- In-Person/Virtual Outreach
- Dedicated Website (surprisegpupdate.com)
- Surveys/Polls

Engagement

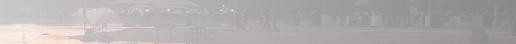
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Outreach Efforts

- Social Media Engagement
- Coordination with City's Communications Team
- 12 Stakeholder Sessions (1:1 or small group discussions)
- 6-8 Bi-Monthly General Plan Advisory Group (GPAG) Meetings
- Three (3) Community Workshops (Large Format)
- General Plan (Road Show/Target Workshops) Number and Location TBD
- Staff representation with General Plan Update Information at Civic Events



### What 1 word best describes Surprise?



# What 3 topic(s) are most important to Surprise in the next 10/20 years?

- Family Oriented
- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Community Facilities & Coordinated Services
- Infrastructure Development & Maintenance
- Community Health & Safety
- Economic Development & Job Growth

- Housing & Neighborhood
   Preservation
- Mobility & Active Transportation
- Technology & Innovation
- Quality Design
- Environmental Planning & Sustainability
- Other...

### What physical places or features in Surprise offer opportunities for improvement or enhancement?

- Surprise City Center
- US 60/Grand Avenue
- Loop 303
- The Village at Prasada
- Vacant Property
- Existing Neighborhoods
- Parks & Trails/Open Space
- "Greenfield" Development
- State Trust Lands
- Others...

### **Next Steps**

### Homework

Vision & Goals Worksheet

### Next Meeting

- GPAG Meeting #2: August 23, 2022
- 6-7:30 PM?

### **General Plan Vision**

- What is a Vision?
  - Ideal future aspirations to work towards
  - Inspiration for decision-makers and the community
  - Unique to the community
  - Comprehensive, long-term, visionary, and positive
  - Paint a picture of the future
  - Remember, we're looking 10/20 years into the future!
- Why do we need a Vision?
  - Capture the community direction for the future of Surprise
  - Make sure the goals, policies, and programs in the updated General Plan reflect community values

### **General Plan Vision**

### **Current General Plan** Vision Statement

The City of Surprise strives to uphold the values of its residents, while balancing physical and economic growth, and maintaining a safe community. A high standard of living should be fostered by enhancing neighborhood and community amenities. Vibrant and diverse development is important for a young community, and Surprise should aim to preserve the uniqueness and history of the City.

- What are some key features or attributes that define Surprise?
- What are some aspirations for what the community would like to be over the next 20 years?

### **Thank You**

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