

**Western Maricopa Enterprise Zone**  
**Minutes**  
Commission/TAG Meeting  
March 10, 2005  
Sheraton Wild Horse Pass

**Attendance:**

**Commission Members:**

Vice Mayor Dick Sousa, City of Goodyear  
Mayor Adolfo Gamez, City of Tolleson  
Vice Mayor Betty Lynch, City of Avondale  
Council Member Joyce Clark, City of Glendale  
Dean Weatherly, Gila River Indian Community

**TAG Members:**

Carl Antone, Gila River Indian Community  
Joanne Barker, City of Glendale  
Sandra Bell, City of Goodyear  
Robert Ito, City of Phoenix  
Landis Nordenberg, City of Surprise  
Reyes Medrano, City of Tolleson  
Patty Duff, Arizona Department of Commerce  
Tiffany Frechette, Arizona Department of Commerce  
Stephanie Prybl, City of Avondale

**Proxies Received:**

Robert Ito for Claude Mattox

**Staff:**

Loriann Maxwell, WESTMARC  
Sarah Blank, WESTMARC

Vice Mayor Dick Sousa called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

**Minutes:**

A question regarding the dissemination of an electronic version of the WMEZ brochure was discussed and Lori Maxwell noted that she will send the brochure again.

**A motioned was made by Joyce Clark and seconded by Mayor Adolfo Gamez to approve the minutes of the September 30, 2004 meeting. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the commission.**

## Old Business:

- **Final Approval and Adoption of Amended Bylaws:** Additional language was recommended to be added to Bylaw 3B regarding attendance. New language for section 3B now shall state “After two (2) consecutive absences, a member shall be sent a letter by the Commission Chair reiterating the importance of attending scheduled meetings and requesting that the member jurisdiction appoint an alternate designee or arrange for a proxy to attend on the jurisdiction’s behalf.”

**A motion was made by Mayor Adolfo Gamez and seconded by Joyce Clark to final approve and adopt the amended bylaws. The bylaws were approved by a unanimous vote of the commission.**

- **Other:**  
**Membership:** It was noted that Gila Bend is still listed as a member and should be removed as they are not listed on the application. Staff noted that this is a typographical error. After discussion it was determined that they would be ineligible to return to WMEZ until the next application process in four years.

## New Business:

- **Membership Changes:** Vice Mayor Lynch reported that Rachel Burke will no longer serve as a TAG representative for the City of Avondale. Her replacement, Dina Serin, will be present at the next meeting. Carl Antone reported that Gila River will have a new representative to replace him in April 2005.

## Standing Reports:

- **City of Phoenix:** Mr. Ito showed a video depicting the City of Phoenix’s WMEZ program. Commission and TAG members complimented Mr. Ito on the tape, and noted that it is very clear and well done. Lori Maxwell noted that the new locator guide on the City of Phoenix’s website is also excellent. For copies of the tape contact Mr. Ito at (602) 534-1916 or robert.ito@phoenix.gov .
- **Department of Commerce:** Patty Duff reported that the Department of Commerce is going live with a new state wide locator on their website within the next two weeks. Tiffany Frechette provided a demonstration of the locator; available at the following link: [www.azcommerce.com](http://www.azcommerce.com). Commission members are permitted to provide a link to the Commerce’s locator guide on their respective websites. Patty Duff reported that current legislation is leading towards reducing money in the Department of Commerce’s budget. Many economic development programs will be effected if the legislation passes. Patty urged Commission members to provide legislative support for the Department of Commerce.

## Call to the Public

**No members of the public were present.**

**Schedule of 2005-2006 Meetings**

- **Commission:** September 29, 2005, City of Goodyear; December 29, 2005, City of Surprise; March 30, 2006, City of Tolleson; September 28, 2006, City of Glendale. All meetings occur from 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- **TAG:** September 15, 2005; December 15, 2005; March 16, 2005; September 14, 2006. All meetings take place at WESTMARC from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**Adjournment:** Mayor Adolfo Gamez made a motion to adjourn. Betty Lynch seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.