

**City of Bisbee
 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
 City of Bisbee Council Chambers
 915 S. Tovreaville Road Bisbee, AZ
 August 15, 2024 @ 5:30 pm**

Action Agenda

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING.

CALLED TO ORDER: 5:31PM

ROLL CALL – COMMISSION MEMBERS

	Present	Absent	Excused
Michael Ablin			X
David Brown		X	
David Cobb	X		
Douglas Dunn, Chair	X		
Alisia Espiriti	X		
Sandy Heusman, Vice-Chair	X		
Doug Taylor			X
Mel Sowid, Council Liaison	X		
J. Emanuel Stuart, Staff Liaison	X		

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: NONE

Agenda Item 1.

Outreach/Stakeholders - General Plan

- Contact info for the stakeholders previously mentioned at meetings.
- Help devise questions for existing stakeholders.

Feedback:

- **Updated timelines: Pushing everything BACK. But will be finished by OCT 2025.**

The Commission suggested potential future Survey Questions that we may ask the community/stakeholders:

- How can we improve the efficiency of your city’s services?
 Response: *In relationship to the city taxes, what would we want to get out of the questions? Outline the ultimate goal and form the questions regarding a concrete outcome.*

- How can the general plan better address environmental sustainability? *The Commission said: More clarity on what types of environmental issues and how can we address them.*
- The Commission talked about Library outreach.

The Commission further suggested changes to the Stakeholder questions:

- Some questions are too vague. The Commission suggested looking at surveys from other cities.
- A question to ask: What was your individual reason to move to Bisbee, what was the initial decision? For example, small town, historic character.
- What do you value? Add some context and cohesiveness to the questions.
- Answers and feedback can be made public.
- Where do you see us in ten years? What does the community need to solve the housing problem, transportation, environment, and parking in old Bisbee?
- Unified support with the Mayor, citizens, and stakeholders.

Other concerns the Commission mentioned:

- The declining population, and declining tax base. Economic growth? Maintenance. Has our tax base risen or fallen in proportion to the amount of short-term rentals?
- Concerns about the business community. Create a group to represent businesses. The Planner suggested developing an ad-hoc committee.
- Suggested reaching out to the School Superintendent.
- “People seem to enjoy dressing up in Bisbee”
- The pirate festival did a lot for Main Street business.
- Crosswalks and 88 Main Street.
- Does not think it is worth it to eliminate parking spots for crosswalks.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Please refrain from any discussion, comments only.

- Reach out to mayoral candidates: Future Council and Commission members.
- Potential Zoom meetings in the future.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS:

- Address the habitual absence of commissioners.

Adjournment: 6:35 PM