

RESOLUTION NO. 15-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, ADOPTING WRITTEN PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE, EARLY AND CONTINUOUS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE 2006 CITY OF MARICOPA GENERAL PLAN.

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2006, the City Council adopted the City of Maricopa General Plan ("General Plan") as set forth in Resolution 06-01; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan was approved by the qualified voters of the City of Maricopa on May 16, 2006; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the 2006 General Plan there has been major growth and development within the City and the region, and significant changes to the City's demographic profile; and

WHEREAS, the City of Maricopa has begun the process of updating the City's General Plan pursuant to A.R.S. §9-461.05 through §9-461.06; and

WHEREAS, amending the General Plan to reflect the changes in the City is in the best interests of the City and provides a unique opportunity to engage the City's residents and stakeholders in a dialogue to establish a future vision, priorities, and further define and guide the development of their community; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §9-461.06 requires that the City Council adopt written procedures designed to provide effective, early and continuous public participation during the General Plan update process from all geographic, ethnic and economic areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, as part of the public participation process the City will also use public input gathered during the 2040 visioning process, which included many of the same elements as the General Plan update; and

WHEREAS, the 2040 visioning process included eight (8) public forums, a sixteen (16) member steering committee made up of citizens and stakeholders, seven (7) issue project teams and over fifty (50) public meetings and opportunities for citizens to be heard and their comments be integrated into the 2040 Vision; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes adopting written procedures to support effective, early, and continuous public participation in amending the General Plan is in the best interest of the City of Maricopa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. The *Procedures for Public Participation for an Update of the City of Maricopa General Plan*, as set forth in Exhibit 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, are hereby adopted to provide effective, early and continuous public participation in the update of the City of Maricopa General Plan.

Section 2. The City of Maricopa, acting by and through its officers, employees, and contractors, is directed to take such steps as are required by the *Procedures for Public Participation for an Update of the City of Maricopa General Plan* and such other steps as may be necessary to assure continuous public participation in the General Plan amendment process.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, on this 17th of March, 2015.

APPROVED:

Christian Price
Mayor

ATTEST:

Vanessa Bueras, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Denis Fitzgibbons
City Attorney

Exhibit 1