

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-2362

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, ADOPTING THE CITY OF GOODYEAR GENERAL PLAN 2035 AND SUBMITTING THE CITY OF GOODYEAR GENERAL PLAN 2035 TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR PURSUANT TO ARS §9-461.06; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF: THIS RESOLUTION, THE CITY COUNCIL'S ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR GENERAL PLAN 2035, AND THE CITY OF GOODYEAR GENERAL PLAN 2035 AND THE STATUS OF GOODYEAR 2025 GENERAL PLAN UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR GENERAL PLAN 2035.

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes require each municipality in the State to adopt a comprehensive, long-range General Plan for the development of the municipality (ARS §9-461.05). In accordance with these statutes, the General Plan is required to include the municipality's goals and development policies, maps, necessary diagrams, text setting forth objectives, policies and standards, and a set of required elements dependent on population; and

WHEREAS, a General Plan is effective for up to 10 years. The City's current General Plan (Goodyear 2025) was ratified by voters on November 4, 2014. Therefore, a new General Plan must be adopted/updated by the City and ratified by voters prior to November 2024; and

WHEREAS, because the city of Goodyear has territory in a high noise or accident potential zone as defined in ARS §28-8461, the City is required to update the General Plan in accordance with ARS §9-461.06, including notice of the adoption of the General Plan sent to the Attorney General for the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, as a general plan represents the comprehensive and long-range statement of a community's values and priorities for the development of the community, effective public participation is critical to the process of creating or updating a general plan. Furthering this objective, the City Council on April 18, 2022: (1) adopted a Community Outreach and Communications Plan, which represented the city's commitment to public participation and included such outreach efforts as creation of a dedicated website, several rounds of community workshops, media releases and other digital forms of engagement; and (2) established the creation of the General Plan Committee, which was a group of volunteer citizens and stakeholders that helped facilitate the creation of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 update; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 being presented represents the results of extensive public outreach, including nine public meetings held by the General Plan Committee, the completion of the formal 60-day review period, completed on July 31, 2023, during which comments on the draft City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 were received from city staff, residents, governmental agencies and stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, at its final public meeting held on August 9, 2023, the General Plan Committee unanimously voted to accept the 60-day review draft of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 that addressed the comments received during the 60-day review period as applicable and recommended staff move forward with finalization of the draft in preparation of public hearings to be held before the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council; and

WHEREAS, at a public meeting held on September 11, 2023, the City Council reviewed the 60-day review draft City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 and the comments received during the 60-day review period. The Council then took action to authorize staff to move forward with finalization of the draft City of Goodyear General Plan 2035; and

WHEREAS, at a public meeting held on September 13, 2023, the Planning and Zoning Commission received an update on the 60-day review draft City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 and the comments received from stakeholders and residents on the draft. The Commission did not have any comments, and no action from the Commission was required/taken at that meeting; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the direction of the City Council, staff finalized the draft City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 addressing the comments received in response to the 60-day review as applicable; and

WHEREAS, after proper notice, two public hearings at two different locations were held before the Planning and Zoning Commission to receive public input on the city of Goodyear General Plan 2035 during which no one spoke in opposition to the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035. Following the second public hearing, the Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2023, after proper notice, the City Council held a public hearing before the City Council to take public input and to consider the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan 2035 was created and adopted in conformance with Arizona Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 does not include any budget proposals or raise taxes; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 and receiving public comment, the City Council finds that adoption of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 is in the best interest of the City of Goodyear and will promote the health, safety, and welfare of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes require the City of Goodyear to submit the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 to the voters of the City of Goodyear for ratification. The City Council desires to submit the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 to the voters for ratification at a special election to be held on May 21, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of Goodyear General Plan 2035, as prepared and reviewed by the citizens of the City of Goodyear and the General Plan Committee and as recommended for adoption by the Planning and Zoning Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted by the City Council.

SECTION 2. Notice of the adoption of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 shall be provided to the Attorney General for the State of Arizona as provided in ARS §9-461.06(H) and the adoption of the General Plan 2035 by the City Council shall be effective as provided in ARS §9-461.06(H).

SECTION 3. Assuming the adoption of the General Plan 2035 becomes effective, the adopted General Plan 2035 shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the city of Goodyear for ratification at a special election to be held on May 21, 2024.

SECTION 4. Resolution 2023-2362 shall be effective upon the date of its adoption.

SECTION 5 Upon the determination that a majority of the votes cast in the May 21, 2024 special election on the issue of ratification of the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 were in favor of ratification, and upon proclamation of the results by the Mayor, the City of Goodyear General Plan 2035 shall be deemed approved and ratified by the electorate and shall become effective as provided by law; and upon its effective date, the Goodyear 2025 General Plan shall have no further be deemed approved and ratified by the electorate and shall have no further force or effect.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Goodyear, Maricopa County, Arizona, by a 7-0 vote, this 13th day of November, 2023.



Joe Pizzillo, Mayor


Date: 11-13-2023

ATTEST:



Darci McCracken, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Roric Massey, City Attorney

