In Attendance

Council Chairwoman Carol Berz called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present, including Vice Chair Moses Freeman and Councilpersons Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, Chip Henderson and Ken Smith. Also present was Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett and Nicole Gwyn, CMC, Clerk. Councilman Chris Anderson arrived later at 3:04 p.m. (during Planning & Zoning Committee). Councilman Jerry Mitchell was not present today.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Vice Chair Freeman and seconded by Councilman Henderson, the minutes of the last meeting (January 26, 2016) were approved as published.

Today’s Agenda

(All agenda items sent to committee.)

Adjournment to Committee

Chairwoman Berz adjourned this session at 3:01 p.m. to begin the committee meetings.

Meeting Reconvened: Special Presentation
“Construction Mitigation Program”

The Agenda Session was reconvened at 3:32 p.m. for a presentation by Administration. Councilman Mitchell was the only Council member not present.

James McKissic, Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, gave a presentation titled “Construction Mitigation Program.” He discussed the following items:

- Signage
- Website/Hotline
- Project Liaison
- Parking Assistance
- Paid Advertising
- Business Promotions

Nick Wilkinson, Community Development Administrator, joined him to discuss the direct financial assistance of the program. Mr. McKissic ended the presentation by discussing establishment of city resources.
Mr. McKissic responded to questions from Councilman Smith about the background/impetus of the program. He also responded to questions from Councilman Henderson on the eligibility requirements and criteria for the program. Councilman Hakeem made comments about the good job that has been done in informing the public during a meeting last week.

Final Adjournment

Chairwoman Berz adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.