

Council Strategy Session

Meeting of May 7, 2013

Executive Summary: ASU Fraternities in Neighborhoods

Issue

What steps can Tempe take to encourage peaceful coexistence between Arizona State University's fraternities/students and the neighborhoods?

Background:

Over the past two months, representatives from Tempe's Interdepartmental Work Team (IWT) and Arizona State University (ASU) convened to discuss concerns with loud party and related disorder calls in our neighborhoods. The outcome of the IWT/ASU efforts was to establish the following goals: Improve quality of life for the citizens of Tempe by reducing loud parties and associated behavior; In cooperation with Arizona State University, deliver effective and targeted educational programs emphasizing the risks associated with loud parties and associated behaviors; Promote accountability through increased youth alcohol enforcement efforts; Evaluate and secure funding sources to support sustainable public safety efforts toward the reduction of loud parties and associated behaviors; Ensure that representatives from each area have decision making authority and have specific responsibilities along with desired outcome and expected due date. This information is attached and will be briefed at the February Committee meeting.

At the January Committee meeting, a request to convene a stakeholder group to discuss long term housing was requested. This meeting is pending, however a Zoning and Development Code Amendment is being processed to clarify processing for fraternities.

Presenting

Lisa Collins, Interim Community Development Director

Attachments

Proposed Zoning and Development Code Amendment for Fraternities and Sororities