

**Minutes
Neighborhood Advisory Commission
Neighborhood Outreach Committee Meeting
August 19, 2008**

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission Outreach Committee held on August 19, 2008, 6:00 p.m., Tempe Public Library, Connections Café, 3500 S. Rural Road

(MEMBERS) Present: Mike Wasko, Woody Wilson.

(MEMBERS) Absent: Tom Catlaw, Faye Farmer.

City Staff Present: None.

Agenda Item 1 – Possible Speakers for 2009 Neighborhood Leadership Workshop

A. Neighborhood advocate and historic preservationist, Donovan D. Rypkema is suggested by Commissioner Wilson. Mr. Rypkema is a well-known author and lecturer on the value of building, preserving and promoting community. It is possible that he can be booked for two events in Tempe; one paid, one non-paid. Depending on when the Neighborhood Workshop is scheduled, another parallel event can be booked with the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation and will provide Rypkema with an honorarium and transportation.

B. Commissioner Wasko suggests Richard Florida, author, lecturer and professor at George Mason University. Florida is the author of the best-selling book, “The Creative Class” and is an expert on how to foster and motivate people and communities to think creatively to solve problems.

C. Commissioner Wasko suggests Avenue Communities’ Ken Losch as a speaker.

Agenda Item 2 – Possible Sponsors to approach for support of the Neighborhood Leadership Workshop.

Amount to be asked for will be \$2000.

- A. SRP
- B. DMB/Centerpoint on Mill
- C. Tempe Marketplace
- D. SunCor
- E. Changing Hands Bookstore

Agenda Item 3 – Suggested topics for Neighborhood Workshop.

- A. Neighborhood Grants – Almost Easy Money
- B. Green Neighborhoods/Community sustainability/solar transitions in HOAs.
- C. Update on Public Transportation/Light Rail/Orbit Routes
- D. Promoting Public Safety and Crime Prevention
- E. Tempe Parks/Getting the most from our parks/ The Best Park System in Arizona
- F. The New Tempe – A Cultural Destination for All
- G. The Future of Tempe Town Lake
- H. Landlocked – An Overview of Tempe Real Estate Values
- I. ASU/Tempe – What’s In It For Us?