



Agenda

City Council Policy Session

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

2:30 PM

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- **Register via telephone** at 602-262-6001 **at least 2 hours prior to the start of this meeting.** noting the item number. Then, use the Call-in phone number and Meeting ID listed below at the time of the meeting to call-in and speak.

In-Person Requests to speak at a meeting:

- Register in person at a kiosk located at the City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix, Arizona, 85003. Arrive **1 hour prior to the start of this meeting.** Depending on seating availability, residents will attend and speak from the Upper Chambers, Lower Chambers or City Hall location.

- Individuals should arrive early, 1 hour prior to the start of the meeting to submit an in-person request to speak before the item is called. After the item is called, requests to speak for that item will not be accepted.

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- **Watch** the meeting in-person from the Upper Chambers, Lower Chambers or City Hall depending on seating availability.

Para nuestros residentes de habla hispana:

- **Para registrarse para hablar en español**, llame al 602-262-6001 **al menos 2 horas antes del inicio de esta reunión** e indique el número del tema. El día de la reunión, llame al 602-666-0783 e ingrese el número de identificación de la reunión 2551 850 9197#. El intérprete le indicará cuando sea su turno de hablar.

- **Para solamente escuchar la reunión en español**, llame a este mismo número el día de la reunión (602-666-0783; ingrese el número de identificación de la reunión 2551 850 9197#). Se proporciona interpretación simultánea para nuestros residentes durante todas las reuniones.

- **Para asistir a la reunión en persona**, vaya a las Cámaras del Concejo Municipal de Phoenix ubicadas en 200 W. Jefferson Street, Phoenix, AZ 85003. Llegue 1 hora antes del comienzo de la reunión. Si desea hablar, regístrese electrónicamente en uno de los quioscos, antes de que comience el tema. Una vez que se comience a discutir el tema, no se aceptarán nuevas solicitudes para hablar. Dependiendo de cuantos asientos haya disponibles, usted podría ser sentado en la parte superior de las cámaras, en el piso de abajo de las cámaras, o en el edificio municipal.

CALL TO ORDER**COUNCIL INFORMATION AND FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS**

This item is scheduled to give City Council members an opportunity to publicly request information or follow up on issues of interest to the community. If the information is available, staff will immediately provide it to the City Council member. No decisions will be made or action taken.

CONSENT ACTION

This item is scheduled to allow the City Council to act on the Mayor's recommendations on the Consent Agenda. There was no Consent Agenda for this meeting.

CALL FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

A vote may be held to call an Executive Session for a future date.

REPORTS AND BUDGET UPDATES BY THE CITY MANAGER

This item is scheduled to allow the City Manager to provide brief informational reports on topics of interest to the City Council. The City Council may discuss these reports but no action will be taken.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND FORMAL ACTION (ITEM 1)

Roll Call and City Clerk Reads 24-Hour Paragraph

1 **Resolution Declaring Council's Opposition to the United States Supreme Court Decision in Dobbs v. Jackson (Resolution 22069)**

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Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Jeffrey Barton.

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Summary

On June 24, 2022, the United States Supreme Court issued a decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* that overruled the constitutional right to abortion previously recognized in *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). In the 2022 Legislative Session, the Arizona Legislature adopted and Governor Ducey signed Senate Bill 1164, to be codified as A.R.S. §§ 36-2321 to 2326, which bans abortions after 15 weeks of gestation except in narrowly-defined medical emergencies, and provides that physicians who violate the ban are guilty of a criminal offense and are subject to civil penalties. This bill follows a history of state laws aimed at limiting or denying access to abortion care, including A.R.S. §§ 13-3603 to 3605, that impose a near total ban on abortions and subject providers to up to five years of imprisonment for performing abortions.

The proposed resolution declares Council’s support for the rights of pregnant persons in the City to obtain access to the full spectrum of reproductive health care, including abortion care. The proposed resolution opposes the decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*, as well as the state laws that limit or deny access to abortion care. It calls on the Arizona State Legislature to repeal A.R.S. §§ 36-2321 to 2326 and all other Arizona laws aimed at limiting or denying access to abortion care, and to enact laws that protect full access to reproductive health care, including abortion. The proposed resolution also declares Council’s support for City officials in establishing law enforcement priorities that consider the need to protect the physical, psychological, and socioeconomic well-being of pregnant persons and their care providers, and make the enforcement of laws that restrict or deny abortion and

abortion-related care the lowest priority for law enforcement.

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