

**City of Phoenix  
City Council Study Session  
Public Works Office  
1000 S. "B" Street  
Tuesday, April 16, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeff Bellah called the study session of the City Council to order on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Public Works Office.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Stan Bartell, Bruce Sophie, Karen Jones, Carolyn Bartell, Terry Helfrich, Chris Luz, Jeff Bellah

**Staff Present:** Eli Naffah, City Manager/Recorder  
Kurt Knudsen, City Attorney

**STUDY SESSION: TRANSIENT TAX**

Attorney Knudsen led the discussion by reviewing his research regarding the practice in Medford for recovering transient tax funds by stating there is a late fee assessed after 30 days in the amount of \$150. He further expressed the City is prepared to go to court to recover the taxes. Further discussion followed, as council deliberated on RV parks and the possibility of taxing the RV parks. As discussion progressed, council debated whether to charge a daily fee or flat fee.

Council discussed charging the RV parks in a different manner from the hotels. Additionally, council discussed the state lodging tax RV parks are paying currently. In addition, council pointed out most cities place a charge on RV parks for transient tax.

Council tasked Attorney Knudsen with researching the transient tax penalties in Medford to propose changes to our current code regarding transient tax.

The study session adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

Janette Boothe  
Deputy City Recorder

Eli Naffah  
City Manager/Recorder