# **City Council Work Plan Meeting**

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## **Background:**

I would like to work to develop policies and initiatives in the following three areas, policies to encourage active citizen participation. The responsibility of the Staff and Council at this "grass roots" level of government is to invite, facilitate, and support citizens in planning, funding, and developing their community. We have abundant resources in our "graying" suburb of individuals with much wisdom and time to offer. We have younger members of the community eager to participate, learn, and contribute to their community. We have families and individuals in Roseville struggling financially. All these people know best the problems they face and have ideas and suggestions of ways in which our city might be improved. I believe neither the staff nor the Council know all the problems or all the answers. I hope to encourage us all to engage, listen, learn, and then develop strategies to meet the wishes and aspirations of our community.

## **Civic Engagement:**

Foster, Nurture, and Encourage Neighborhood Associations Minimize Vetting of Community Participants Create Task Forces for Specific Issues Solicit, Value, and Support Neighborhood Wishes

#### **Budget:**

Create a Transparent Process Encourage Citizen Participation Reduce (or Hold Constant) the General Fund Budget Assess Any Tax Levy to Support Infrastructure Needs

#### Planning:

Policy Decision Regarding the City's Role in Development/Redevelopment Staff Support of Community Based Planning through Charette Processes Continued Code Amendments, including

Incentives for energy efficiency, quality buildings, xeriscaping, native plantings, community involvement

Tools to allow staff and Council to review, modify and alter project proposals to allow the city to preserve and protect neighborhood cohesion, character, and quality