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The SBC meets the
4th Thursday of the month
at 4 p.m. in the
Mayor & Council Chambers
City Hall
1st Floor
255 W. Alameda



Newsletter

4rd Quarter 2005

PURPOSE OF THE TUCSON SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION

Ensure that the interests of private enterprise are championed, not to the detriment of, but to the greatest good of the public. Monitor taxes and other regulations imposed on small businesses in the City of Tucson and help maintain a healthy environment in which businesses can operate. Provide a forum for small businesses and bring issues to the attention of the Mayor and City Council.

Active Issues -- Tucson Small Business Commission

- ❖ **101 Ways to Help Small Business** - This is our purpose! Your SBC is always focused on finding and developing more ways to help you. Small Business Owners can help - SEND US YOUR IDEAS!
- ❖ **A-frame Sign Code** - Are your signs APPROVED or AT RISK? Do you know the new ordinance? *Enforcement has begun!* Applications and info are available from Development Services, 201 N. Stone 1st floor 791-5550 or from Joe Higgins of SportsBuzz Haircuts at 631-7400
- ❖ **Peddler's Ordinance** - we invite input to help monitor the impact on residential neighborhoods and on peddlers' businesses
- ❖ **Occupational License Review - Initiated by the SBC** Goals: restructure fees to make more equitable and reduce cost to many businesses, provide greater visibility and accountability of active Tucson businesses for analytical purposes and maintain or enhance income for the City
- ❖ **University of Arizona** - Is its policy fair to off-campus businesses whose clientele includes U.of A. students, departments, and faculty?
- ❖ **Preparing for I-10 Construction Impact** - The SBC is working on this

important topic. It will be a THREE YEAR INTERRUPTION. We are seeking means to coordinate with the involved agencies to find ways to minimize the inevitable damage to small business. *We urge all impacted small businesses to GET INVOLVED.*

Mayor & Council Corner

Mayor Walkup says: I encourage all small business owners to register with **BusinessLINC**, Southern Arizona's Supplier Network. As a FREE resource to buyers and sellers, it's a database providing info on products and services to improve B2B success. Visit <http://azbusinesslinc.com> or phone (520) 243-1900.

ATTENTION

**ALL Small Business Owners
The SBC wants to hear your
Concerns and Questions
>Contact us by E-mail at:
small.business@tucsonaz.gov**



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Small Business Resources

❖ **Know The**

The U.S. Small Business Administration's **SCORE** - Free, Confidential Counselling and Training. With New Features. Call: 670-5008 or visit: <http://scoreaz.org>

SCORE[®]
Counselors to America's Small Business

❖ **City Finance Department/Revenue**

(520) 791-4080

❖ **Better Business Bureau** (now on-line, too)

(520) 888-1903

❖ **Tucson Metro. Chamber of Commerce**

(520) 792-2250

❖ **So. Arizona Small Business Assoc.**

(520) 327-0222

❖ **Tucson Black Chamber of Commerce**

(520) 623-0099

❖ **Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce**

(520) 620-0005

❖ **MicroBusiness Advancement Center (MAC)**

(520) 620-1241

❖ **National Assoc. of Women Bus. Owners**

(520) 32-NAWBO (326-2926)

❖ **University of Arizona Bus. Resources**

(520) 626-2710 or visit their website

❖ **TREO** (Tucson Regional Econ. Opportunities, Inc.)

(520) 243-1955

❖ **BusinessLINC - Free B2B resource**

(520) 243-1900 or their website (see over)

Know of a good resource? Tell us, so we can share it with others.

This is an open invitation for Small Business Owners and Community Members to communicate your concerns, questions, and comments about how small business is conducted and regulated in Tucson.

> Contact the SBC by E-mail at: small.business@tucsonaz.gov

This Message Bears Repeating

The SBC wants to SAVE you MONEY and HASSLE - GET YOUR A-FRAME SIGNS APPROVED NOW!

Your signs could be AT RISK.
Enforcement of the new law has begun!
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I Didn't Know That!

Info and tips to help small businesses

If you are a business that uses the City of Tucson for trash collection, you will likely qualify to **use 2 Blue Recycling barrels FREE**. And, if your business needs more recycling capacity, you could get a 50% reduction on the regular \$50 fee for a large metal recycling container. **More Recycling could help reduce your trash fee**. Also, ask about the new locking system for commercial trash containers. For more info, don't hesitate to **call (520) 791-7131** or **visit <http://www.tucsonrecycles.org>**