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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:03]

Mayor Lane: Good evening, everyone. We will call to order our January 26, 2016, 4:00 special meeting. We will start with will roll call, please.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:12]

City Clerk City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor David Smith.

Vice Mayor Smith: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Kathy Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Guy Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Acting City Manager Brian Biesemeyer.

Brian Biesemeyer: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Bruce Washburn.

Bruce Washburn: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols.

Jeff Nichols: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: And the Clerk is present.

ITEM 1 – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND TASK FORCES INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Lane: Thank you. The nature of this special meeting is for board and commission interviews and appointments and for that purpose, I will turn the meeting over to the Vice Mayor. Mr. Vice Mayor Smith.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, mayor. This afternoon, the City Council will be appointing Scottsdale residents interested in serving on six citizen advisory boards and commissions. I want to begin by thanking all of these individuals for their willingness to volunteer their time and service to the community. Your time is very much appreciated.

Following each set of interviews, we'll vote on the appointments for that board or commission. As I call your name, please come to the podium. We ask that you briefly cover the following material: Obviously share your name, your address and how long you have lived in Scottsdale. Talk about why

you want to serve on the particular board or commission that you have applied for. How do your experiences, whether it's education, professional or volunteer, qualifies you to serve on that commission. And what do you think is the top issue for the commission that you applied for.

Please limit your comments to three minutes or less. And I emphasize or less, because we have a great number of applicants tonight. If you would be generous to donate back some of your time, it will certainly go well for your consideration. We have a timer by the screen to help you manage your time and following each nominee's response, I will ask the councilmembers if they have any questions. So let's jump right into it.

CITIZEN'S BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

[Time: 00:02:15]

Vice Mayor Smith: The first commission, we are going to hear from the nominees on is the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee. We have seven openings and I will remind you, the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee consists of seven members who receive reports on the City's progress in implementing the Bond Program, review any proposed project changes to the program and provide such comments to the City Council with respect to the bond program as the Committee deems appropriate. There are no special qualifications for this. The Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee was established October 6th last year.

Among the applicants we nominated in the previous meetings, we had a couple of changes. Well, one change. Wayne Ecton has withdrawn his application. Mr. Bill Heckman who was nominated will be unable to attend tonight's interviews. He's interested in serving and he would like the information on his application to be used for responses to the questions that are raised.

There are seven vacancies and nine nominees. The nominees are: John Barwell, Dana Close, Samuel Edmondson, Judy Frost, Bill Heckman, Charles Kaufman, Alex McLaren, Brion Neeley, Douglas Reed. So the first applicant to speak will be John Barwell.

[Time: 00:03:54]

John Barwell: Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor and esteemed colleagues. My name is John Barwell. The address is 6931 East Almeria Road in south Scottsdale and I lived in Scottsdale for about four and a half years. I have always been service minded and that's the primary reason I'm drawn to this opportunity. Out of high school, I went straight into the Marine Corps. I did a lot of volunteer while I was in the Marine Corps. I got out as a gunnery sergeant in 2007 and I returned home to Tucson and I went to law school where I continue to do volunteer service and I'm active in my local legislative area. I think my civic-mindedness will help us on the committee perform the mission that we need to do.

And some of the experiences that I have currently in the valley leadership institute, in that program, I'm learning -- I have learned and learning a lot about how our state interacts with various -- with the

cities and towns and how the infrastructure oftentimes connects. I think that's going to be a valuable insight to have. I'm also an attorney. After I got out of the marines I went straight into law school. While I was in the marines I got an undergraduate and master's degree. There's probably not a marine out there who gets out after 15 years who doesn't know what it means to accomplish the mission. Also, I think that -- well, I know it would be very rewarding to serve my community in this capacity and I look forward to that opportunity.

The -- because this is a new committee, newly formed, the top issue is going to be first of all, just getting established, establishing and deciding what our procedures will be and we can look at the prior similar committees that have been put in place for this effort to see what they have done and then just kind of get some insight and advice from the council itself to determine how we are going to receive information, disseminate information, format our reports and get that information to you. Thank you very much. Are there any questions?

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you Mr. Barwell. Do we have any questions? Seeing none, thank you very much. Dana? Dana Close is our next applicant.

[Time: 00:06:21]

Dana Close: Thank you very much, Mayor Lane and Vice Mayor Smith and members of council. My name is Dana Close. I live in the Hacienda Del Ray community which is located in southern Scottsdale. If you were not sure exactly where that neighborhood is located, it's -- you might think of those two giant dirt hills on either side of the brand new McDowell road bridge and those are right out my back door. So I wanted to take just a second to thank you all for purchasing that land and I believe I can speak for my neighbors when I say we are looking forward to that being incorporated into the El dorado park system.

My company, Closed Community Concepts, just finished planning for the Scottsdale home tour. I'm a founding board member of the Scottsdale Gateway Alliance. I also volunteer my time with educational issues with the S.U.S.D. school district and I'm a graduate of the Scottsdale Fire Department Citizens Fire Academy. I wanted to make sure I say that correctly. And I write a monthly column for the Arizona Republic called "Close on Scottsdale".

And full disclosure, I voted for all six of the questions for the bond. This is the first time I volunteered to serve on a city commission. I have been waiting for what I thought would be just the right opportunity to do that. I believe I'm qualified to serve on the bond oversight committee. I'm not an accountant or an attorney. I'm a small business person and a taxpayer in the city of Scottsdale. I have lived here for over 25 years. I want to make sure that other taxpayers are confident that the bond funds that the voters approved are invested exactly as we were told they would be invested.

In short, I believe that the committee's priority is to be totally transparent so that the taxpayers trust the process. If I'm allowed to serve on the bond oversight committee, I will be committed to being the eyes, the ears and the voice for the taxpayers of Scottsdale. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Dana. Are there any questions for the applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much. Sam Edmondson.

[Time: 00:09:00]

Samuel Edmonson: Mayor, Vice Mayor, members of the council, my name is Sam Edmondson. I live at 10136 East Astor Drive in Scottsdale and I have lived there now for 26 years. The reason I want to serve on the commission is because I would really like to give something back to the city that I have lived in and enjoyed for 26 years. I enjoy volunteering. I have the time and the energy to devote to the committee and I feel my professional background compliments the needs of the committee.

My education and experience includes a bachelor of science and a master of science in civil engineering. I have been a professional engineer in 12 states and I'm currently a professional engineer in the state of Arizona. I have practiced municipal engineering for over 40 years, including the development of utility master plans, user charges and bond programs. I have been a municipal design facilities design engineer, construction manager and a general manager of a construction company. I was a volunteer on the planning commission for the city of Kent, Washington, for five years. My other volunteering activities include such things as I was a marshal for two years at the Schwab golf tournament. And I had an opportunity to be a cashier at the waste management tournament and sell hamburgers and hot dogs. That was quite an experience, I must say. Other volunteer activities include those of my church.

As far as the top issue is concerned on November 15th, 2015, the Scottsdale citizens placed a great deal of trust by the city of Scottsdale by improving the city street and fire stations bonds. I believe a top issue is for us to honor that taxpayer trust by ensuring the taxpayers' bond dollars are efficiently and cost effectively spent on the most deserving projects. Completing these projects on time and on budget is absolutely paramount. All of this must be done while minimizing public convenience and disruption. Thank you for the opportunity to be here.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Sam. Do we have any questions for the applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much. Judy frost is the next speaker or applicant.

[Time: 00:11:35]

Judy Frost: Good evening mayor and city council, thank you for this opportunity. My name is Judy Frost, I live at 11058 East Bent Tree drive in north Scottsdale. I have been a Scottsdale resident for nearly 30 years now.

I would like to serve on this commission because -- or committee, because the citizens were promised oversight of this bond program if they approved the bonds and I would like to be one of those persons who would do that. I have a lot of experience along this line. I was a city employee for many, many years, and as a city employee, I was the staff liaison to the 1989 bond commission, the whole entire time, and the 2000 commission until I retired in 2002 and then as an interested citizen, I applied to

serve on that commission and was served from 2005 to 2011, when the bond program was essentially completed. After that, I served on the bond task force, two bond tasks forces, in 2012 and I believe it was 2014. So I'm very familiar with the city's bond programs and how bonds are to be administered.

My educational background is I am a C.P.A. and I earned my M.B.A. from Arizona State University. I serve -- I have served in a lot of leadership positions. I am currently on the board of trustees of the boys and girls clubs of greater Scottsdale. I have served as president of my country club, Troon country club, and a couple of other things. Oh, the auxiliary of the boys and girls club of greater Scottsdale. I'm their treasurer currently.

So the top issue is ensuring that these bonds are expended in accordance with the voters' wishes and I would endeavor to do that, and by reviewing every deviation that comes before us for the program. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Judy. Does anybody have a question for this applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much, Ms. Frost. Chuck Kaufman. And I skipped over Bill Heckman who is alphabetically the next but as I mentioned, he's relying on his written response. Still interested in the position.

[Time: 00:14:32]

Charles Kaufman: Good afternoon. My name is Charles Kaufman. I live in Stonegate. 9090 North 119th Way, Scottsdale, 85259. I am retired and as such have loads of free time. I try to find things to do constructively to fill that time and I'm convinced that serving this bond commission would satisfy that criteria.

I am a New York state C.P.A., retired. I have a master's degree from N.Y.U. and a bachelor's from Northwestern. Currently, I'm a volunteer with the Scottsdale police department. I work with Wwill Davis in the strategic area -- excuse me, strategic planning area. And I serve the -- on the finance committee of Stonegate. Previously, I spent 15 years working with SCORE, the service core of retired executives. I served on the board of directors of the Scottsdale league for the arts. I served on the board of directors for Valley Academy, which is a charter school. And I served with Judy on the bond 2000 commission.

I think a main issue for the council and the commission is that the projects come in on time, and on budget. And to that end, I would be making probing questions and clearly and actively reviewing the progress reports and the accounting records that show up before the bond commission. I thank you for your consideration and prepared to answer any questions.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Kaufman. Do we have any questions? Seeing none, thank you very much. Alex McLaren.

[Time: 00:16:56]

Alex McLaren: Good evening mayor and members of the council. My name is Alex McLaren. I live at 7730 East Osborn. I have lived there for the past 32 years.

The reason why I'm interested in serving on the commission is that I haven't -- I have had for many years a biting interest in ensuring that Scottsdale infrastructure is kept up to date. My qualifications, I worked for the city. I'm a registered civil engineer in the state of Arizona. I worked for the city of Scottsdale for 21 years from 1985 to 2007. I worked mainly in the transportation and the drainage areas, was very involved in the 1989 bond election, setting up the projects for the drainage and the streets, also in the bond 2000 election. I worked with those two commissions, also worked with Judy as she worked in the financial area of the city I have my -- my education is I have a bachelor of science in engineering from the University of Natal in South Africa and the master of science from the City University in London.

As far as volunteering, after retiring from the city in 2007, I worked for H.D.R. engineering, works on various municipal projects in and around Arizona, worked on the city of Scottsdale's transportation master plan, which was approved in 2008. For volunteer activity, I was president of the Arizona public works association, the Arizona chapter, also the Arizona society of professional engineers and currently I'm volunteering for engineers without borders. We are doing a project for the Phoenix chapter and we are doing a project in the Dominican Republic to provide to help with their water -- with their water distribution system.

The reason I would like to serve on the commission is as the other folks had said, we need to ensure that the Scottsdale voters really get what they voted for and I'm happy to serve. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much. Do we have any questions from -- for the applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much. Brion Neely.

[Time: 00:19:52]

Brion Neely: Good afternoon, Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Smith, members of the city council. My name is Brion Neely, I live at 4525 North 66th Street in Scottsdale. I have been a Scottsdale resident for six years and I'm an Arizona native. I believe that every Scottsdale resident should take some interest in their city government. This opportunity to assist the city with the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee seems to fit nicely with my professional experience. So that's why I applied.

I'm the assistant controller at AZTV which is the only locally owned TV station in the Phoenix market. Our parent company is the London companies. I worked for Jack London and his companies since 1993. As part of my daily job I produce and read daily financial statements and analyze our company's cash flow. As a broadcast television station, we replace or upgrade our equipment regularly and I'm in charge with keeping and I do the company with budgeting with over \$10 million in annual revenues.

Our biggest priority and challenge for the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee is keeping on point with the projects as outlined. The scope two of the bond packages that were approved by the voters were clearly spelled out. If selected to this commission, I look forward to being part of the process that

oversees the projects that were detailed in those two bond packages. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much, Mr. Neely. Do we have any questions for the applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much. And finally Doug Reed.

[Time: 00:21:37]

Douglas Reed: Good evening, mayor, Vice Mayor, councilmembers. My name is Doug Reed, 2550 North 82nd Street in Scottsdale. I lived in Scottsdale for 26 years. Been in the valley since 1960. I supported the bond packages and I feel that since I helped them pass, I should be involved in ensuring that taxpayer money is spent wisely and as intended.

The experience I have had. My degree is from business at A.S.U. and then I spent two years as an Army lieutenant and then I was the president of an insurance company. I specialized in malpractice insurance for attorneys for much of that time. That's a fairly expensive and fairly complex product. My experience is in sales management -- sales and management. Budgeting and also dealing with professionals. I have obtained two professional designations which were helpful in establishing my credibility with my clients and also with the insurance company personnel I dealt with.

As a small business owner, I'm very much aware of keeping costs down, since in business, money you don't spend goes to profit. A similar concept, I think, applies to government spending. Lower costs equals lower bond indebtedness or funds available for additional projects such as more miles of paved roads. I have the knowledge of financing, stemming from my work funding and servicing premium finance loans to my clients and it involved extensive insurance contract analysis and review. I am a proud graduate of Scottsdale 101, and also past president of the Scottsdale insurance agents association.

My goal would be to prioritize -- my goal is to prioritize the projects and complete them as soon as practical at or below estimated costs, in other words to get the most bang out of our taxpayer dollars. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much, Doug. Does anyone have any questions for the applicant? Seeing none, thank you very much.

[Time: 00:24:02]

Vice Mayor Smith: We have seven openings and nine applicants. So each councilmember can vote for seven of the nine people. I'm going to begin the voting with Councilwoman Milhaven recognizing the fact that she was, in fact, co-chair of the 2015 bond election that led to this committee.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Thank you, Vice Mayor and other co-chair of the bond committee. And I want to say that we are an incredibly fortunate community to have so many qualified candidates. It's sort of like trying to split hairs to see who would be better and so for all of you who put in your applications, I am just so impressed and so grateful for your willingness to volunteer your time and

talent. So with that, I will vote for Mr. Barwell, Ms. Close, Mr. Edmondson, Ms. Frost, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Neely and Mr. Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: That's seven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Oh, Doug's name is not there.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much, and we will move this way to Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Well, think what was just mentioned is that Mr. Reed's name is not listed. So you are just going to have to keep a tally manually?

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Your Honor --

Vice Mayor Smith: Accept our apologies Mr. Reed.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: We are keeping a tally.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: Oh, my apologies. I need to learn to scroll. So my fault.

Councilwoman Klapp: So Mr. Reed's name is up there -- so Mr. Reed's name is up there. I will nominate John Barwell or vote for John Barwell, Dana Close, Judy Frost, Bill Heckman, Charles Kaufman, Alex McLaren, and Doug Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: Mayor?

Mayor Lane: Okay. I will vote -- my vote is for John Barwell, Dana Close, Samuel Edmondson, Judy Frost, Bill Heckman, Charles Kaufman, and Doug Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: Councilwoman Korte.

Councilmember Korte: John Barwell, Dana Close, Judy Frost, Bill Heckman, Alex McLaren, Brion Neely and Douglas Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much.

My vote will be for, if you are ready, Dana Close, Sam Edmondson, Judy Frost, Bill Heckman, Alex McLaren, and Doug Reed.

Councilman Phillips: Okay, my vote is Barwell, Edmondson, Frost, Kaufman, McLaren, Neely and Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: That concludes the voting. Oh.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Excuse me.

Vice Mayor Smith: Kathy, are you on the phone?

Councilwoman Littlefield: Yes, I am.

Vice Mayor Smith: Very good. Proceed with your voting.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Thank you. Barwell, Edmondson, frost, Kaufman, McLaren, Neely, and Reed.

Vice Mayor Smith: So now I will ask the scribe to interpret the results for me here. Do we proceed to another round of voting or do we declare seven people winners?

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: We've got Douglas Reed, Judith Frost, John Barwell -- one, two, three, four. And it looks like we have close, Edmondson, Kaufman, McLaren and Neely in a tie.

Vice Mayor Smith: It would look like if you eliminated Mr. Neely who has four votes then you would have seven winners. Is that correct?

Councilwoman Klapp: No.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: No, we've got three.

Councilwoman Klapp: We have to have will one more -- we have to eliminate one more.

Councilwoman Milhaven: So we will have, it looks like a revote with -- after we remove Neely, I believe.

Mayor Lane: Yeah. For those that were tied at five.

Vice Mayor Smith: What people did you eliminate, please?

Mayor Lane: Neely.

Vice Mayor Smith: Neely will be removed and we will revote between Close, Edmondson, Kaufman and McLaren.

Councilmember Korte: And how many slots?

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: We have four.

Vice Mayor Smith: All right so we will vote again, four of the named individuals out of the five, and Councilwoman Klapp, we'll start with you.

Councilwoman Klapp: Dana Close, Bill Heckman, Chuck Kaufman, and Alex McLaren.

Mayor Lane: Then I would -- my votes are for Samuel Edmondson, Bill Heckman, Chuck Kaufman, and Alex McLaren.

Councilmember Korte: Dana Close, Bill Heckman, Chuck Kaufman, Alex McLaren.

Vice Mayor Smith: Dana Close, Sam Edmondson, Bill Heckman and Chuck Kaufman.

Councilman Phillips: Edmondson, Kaufman and McLaren.

Vice Mayor Smith: You have one more vote if you want. Okay. And Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Dana Close, Sam Edmondson, Charles Kaufman, Alex McLaren.

Councilwoman Milhaven: And I will do Ms. Close, Mr. Edmondson, Mr. Heckman, and Mr. McLaren.

Vice Mayor Smith: So we have another round of voting, is that right? We have elected Mr. Kaufman and Mr. McLaren and we will have voting amongst Dana Close, Sam Edmondson and Bill Heckman. And in this case, you have two votes. Mayor, we will start with you.

Mayor Lane: Samuel Edmondson, Bill Heckman.

Councilmember Korte: Dana Close and Bill Heckman.

Vice Mayor Smith: Dana Close and Bill Heckman.

Councilman Phillips: Edmondson.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Dana Close, Sam Edmondson.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Dana Close and Bill Heckman.

Councilwoman Klapp: Dana Close and Bill Heckman.

Vice Mayor Smith: And now we have the final two winners, Dana Close and Bill Heckman. Thank you all for applying and for your interest in this commission.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD

[Time: 00:31:50]

Vice Mayor Smith: The next board that we will vote for is the Environmental Quality Advisory Board.

Here we have one opening, and we have one nominee. And in the interest of time, I think I'm going to skip reading the qualifications. We read them when we made the nominations. So if Arnold Siegel is here, we will hear from you now, sir. And while he's coming this way. The Environmental Quality Advisory Board does provide guidance on the prioritization of future environmental activities and recommends environmental policies to the city council.[Time:

Arnold Siegel: Good afternoon, and thank you. Mayor Lane, assistant mayor Smith, Ms. Korte, Ms. Klapp, Ms. Littlefield, and I lost it, I'm sorry. Thank you for this opportunity. My name is Arnold Siegel. I am a candidate for the committee, and we -- my family and I moved here 30 years ago from Chicago. We have been residents of north Phoenix -- excuse me, of north Scottsdale, on Scottsdale ranch and now Stonegate for the past 29 years. Well, we traded snowshoes for suntan lotion, and we wanted to improve and keep improving the quality of our environment. There are a lot of challenges coming up. We want to preserve good water, good land, and environmental air problems. So that our new generation can enjoy what we have enjoyed, and other generations will follow.

I was fortunate to move here in 1985, and I came into the field of something that you can't live without janitorial services. Our company provided janitorial services with about 100 employees. We cleaned 1 million square feet and it was commercial buildings. And we had a wonderful, wonderful backing from our company and from the community, and government and 22 years later, we were cleaning 23 million square feet a night with 1500 employees. We became the 85th largest employer in the state of Arizona according to the republic, and my company gave me a paper parachute and said good luck.

It's quite a thrill and we enjoyed it and I have been active in some community activities and charity work. I have been a member in Chicago and here for 30 years in building owners and managers association, where they have honored me with a national lifetime membership. And I still keep active with the business and the charity end of that.

So the purpose of my wanting to be active in city government is to carry on the work that you established a very firm foundation and I want to be part of it and help. I thank you very much for your interest.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Siegel. Does anyone have questions for the applicant? I will pose one.

Arnold Siegel: Yes, sir.

Vice Mayor Smith: Can you talk to what your experience might be in environmental quality and how it might be germane to the deliberations of this board?

Arnold Siegel: Yes, you are correct, sir. Cleaning large buildings has its own challenges that aren't well known to the public. And one of the advances in my later years when we started recognizing the fact that the environment, the buildings, the chemicals, the ingredients that are going into the equipment that we need to use, not only to clean, but to preserve the property and make it as safe

environmentally breathing and free of germs as possible. And that's one of the reasons why we progressed to well, in addition to the fact that many of the building owners and property managers recognized the need for these improvements. So I would like to continue doing what I can to help.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much, Mr. Siegel.

Arnold Siegel: Thank you, Mr. Smith.

[Time: 00:37:13]

Vice Mayor Smith: No further questions, we will proceed with the voting. So remind you, each councilmember can vote once. And we'll start with Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Arnold Siegel.

Vice Mayor Smith: Mayor?

Mayor Lane: Arnold Siegel.

Councilmember Korte: Arnold Siegel.

Vice Mayor Smith: I will vote for Arnold Siegel.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Siegel.

Vice Mayor Smith: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: No additional.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. Siegel.

Vice Mayor Smith: Mr. Siegel, you have been elected to that commission. Congratulations.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

[Time: 00:37:48]

Vice Mayor Smith: The Human Services Commission has one opening. It provides advisory recommendations to staff and the City Council on human services priorities and programs. We have three applicants and Mr. Michael Cavanaugh, we'll start with your address.

Michael Cavanaugh: Good afternoon to the Mayor, Vice Mayor, councilmembers. Thank you for the opportunity, the nomination and the opportunity to interview today. My name is Michael Cavanaugh. I live at 12185 East Mission Lane, that's in Stonegate in Scottsdale, 85259. I have been

a Scottsdale resident for 26 years. I have always attempted to participate in Scottsdale activities, even though my job forced me to travel quite a bit. I have been on the board of directors for the Scottsdale Cultural Council. I have been on two Scottsdale visioning task forces, and even though I traveled, I try to stay in touch.

Throughout my career, I have been focused on improving organizations, primarily through optimizing the fit between people, process and technology. Obviously people are most critical aspect. I have done that at various levels. I have worked with several Fortune 500 companies, to include Pepsi-Cola, Procter & Gamble, and United Healthcare, so I have run the gamut. I have been everything from a union chief steward, to the chief operating officer. What I have learned from that is how to communicate, engage, relate, involve, with all levels of people, and I think that's important for this commission. As far as educational I have a bachelor of science and industrial management from Purdue University and M.B.A. from Xavier University and I have a master's in organizational development from Loyola University.

I think as I look forward to the changing demographics and I have seen them change over the past 26 years, it's very important that we deal with all of our community. And one of the things that comes to mind to me is as we look at our services, we need to make sure that they are age friendly. Normally when we refer to Scottsdale, folks will say, older age, elder age no, I'm talking all age friendly. And I think that's very important. And I think we see that in our housing situation.

I have served on, like I said, the Scottsdale cultural council board of directors. I served on Scottsdale visioning, also because my company represented the city, I have served on Phoenix human relations commission, the Phoenix police use of force board, the Phoenix police disciplinary review board, the Arizona judicial review committee, just to name a few. Thank you. Are there any questions?

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Cavanaugh. Seeing no questions, we appreciate it. Mr. Denny Brown is the next speaker, and while he's approaching the podium, I will explain that Edmund Portnoy is the third applicant. He is interested in the position, but is unable to attend. So he asked us to refer to his responses that he submitted in writing. Mr. Brown?

[Time: 00:41:12]

Denny Brown: Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, council humans, hi, my name is Denny Brown. I live at 8145 East Elm Drive and I have lived there since 1996, been in Scottsdale, Arizona, since 1987. Today, I would like to be considered for the Human Services Commission. And why? Because I care. And I have shown I cared many times for this city.

Now, what is my background? Okay. So I came here looking for film and ended up in automotive. That was great. I was vice president and -- and sales manager for performance driving events. Wonderful, wonderful company. It was purchased by Firebird International Raceway. I became the sales manager for Firebird. I had a key to the front indicate from 1989 to 2005. Well, life changed. I had kids. I had to make a life change. I became a Sexton of the church, Shepherd of the Hills. I was there for six and a half years. Now, in that time I was also elected to the Scottsdale Unified

School District governing board and served my term for four years. Since that time I have been a volunteer, primarily for the city.

Now, how does all this come to play for the Human Services Commission? And what is the -- what does this all bring? Well, first of all, I did a lot of events. We just had one of the most successful events in Scottsdale with the back-to-school event. I think I was part of that. On the school district, I had to deal with budgets, tight budgets, targeted budgets and hard decisions. I did that. I did that proudly. You know, there's something else, though, I learned that there's a need in Scottsdale. People have needs. And I would like to help.

Now, what's the top issue when you look at our Human Services Commission? I would probably say money. There's never enough money to do all the things we could or should do, but you know, there's something else and that's awareness. I don't think that the general population in Scottsdale has -- in Scottsdale has an awareness of all the great things you guys do and Scottsdale does. And I think my background in marketing and sales can help with that. I would like to be a voice to those programs and expand those collaborations like we did with the back-to-school programs. I'm here to help and I do care. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Brown.

[Time: 00:43:59]

Vice Mayor Smith: And seeing no questions, we will proceed with the voting. Each councilmember will be entitled to vote once and we will start with you, Mayor Lane.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Mr. Brown.

Councilmember Korte: Denny Brown.

Vice Mayor Smith: Michael Cavanaugh.

Councilman Phillips: Cavanaugh.

Vice Mayor Smith: I'm sorry, councilwoman Littlefield?

Councilwoman Littlefield: Cavanaugh.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. Brown.

Councilwoman Klapp: Denny Brown.

Vice Mayor Smith: And does that conclude it? What's the rules here? 4-3. Okay, Denny Brown, you have been elected to the Human Services Commission.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

[Time: 00:44:52]

Vice Mayor Smith: The Industrial Development Authority is the next committee. We have one opening. I'm going to call to the stand Mr. Andrew Armstrong. While he's approaching the podium, I will remind everybody that the Industrial Development Authority's primary purpose is to issue tax-exempt bonds for certain types of private development for the purpose of attracting new economic activity to the community. Mr. Armstrong.

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Andrew Armstrong: Good afternoon, mayor, Vice Mayor, and councilmembers. My name is Andrew Armstrong. I'm a resident at 8650 East Irish Hunter Trail. I have been a resident of Scottsdale for seven years.

I'm here today to run for the I.D.A. because I believe it is a good fit for my skill set, and it also allows me to fill my civic responsibility in two different ways. One as helping the community grow through using the I.D.A. procedures for businesses and other organizations, as well as the opportunity that the funds that we ultimately retrieve from the I.D.A. process to give back to the community. Professionally, I'm not an attorney nor a developer. I have a B.S. and M.B.A. from the University of Tampa in Tampa, Florida. I have 18 years of advanced manufacturing leadership experience. I have spent the last five years with fluidic energy, a start-up energy storage company in the valley. Just recognized yesterday as one of the top 500 clean tech companies in the world. I also spent 13 years with Javal in a variety of global roles, including an assignment in Mexico, as well as launching a 300,000 square foot green field in Mexico. I'm a proud participant in the Scottsdale leadership program as the member of the class of 30 and just last Friday, was elected by my peers as the class representative which is a lifelong position, which I'm honored to have earned.

I have also been requested from folks in the community, such as Chris Comacho at the greater Phoenix economic council to sit on a board for starting a hardware fund to help incubate new start-ups for the valley. When I look at the I.D.A. and have spent time with folks like Rob Millar, the city liaison to the city and the commission, and speaking with Tim Martin and Mark Blonstein. It's clear the I.D.A., the changes with the Scottsdale healthcare merger has left the I.D.A. without a significant stream of funds. And that's exciting for me because that's where I spent most of my career, turning around things, which it be inside the U.S. or outside of the U.S. And, you know, that opportunity to try new things and help move this portion further is important to me. In addition, I also spent time with Todd La Porte at Honor Health. He's obviously the C.F.O. or I should say acting C.F.O. as he moves on to his new assignment and we talked about things that we as an I.D.A. could do differently.

At the end of the day, its about competition. Scottsdale I.D.A. is not the only I.D.A. out, there Maricopa I.D.A., Phoenix I.D.A. are very active. In fact, they are probably our greatest competition and they are creating headwinds for us. And quite honestly don't view us as a threat when it comes to making a deal. So we need to look beyond our city limits and look for opportunities similar to

what Phoenix I.D.A. has done within the last 18 months and converted a deal in Guam, believe it or not, which at the end of the day will bring funds back to their city. I still serve as the assistant scout master for my troop and for my church.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you Mr. Armstrong. The next applicant is Shannon Scutari.

[Time: 00:49:10]

Shannon Scutari: Good afternoon, mayor, members of the can Scottsdale city council. My name is Shannon Scutari and I'm a Scottsdale resident and I lived in Scottsdale for eight and a half years I live at 10768 North 101st Way and I want to thank you for the opportunity to be nominated to interview for this position although this is probably one of the most intimidating interview processes I have ever been through, I want to thank you for this.

I would like to serve on the Scottsdale I.D.A. because I truly believe that the economic competitiveness of Scottsdale is really -- we are at the precipice of that. And I really believe that educational opportunities and job creation and all the economic opportunities that could actually flow from investment from Scottsdale I.D.A., I really feel as though we are -- there's an opportunity for us to really explore and I agree with my competitor in this, that this is a very important time to look at the importance of the Scottsdale I.D.A.

I'm an attorney with an M.B.A. from Arizona State University, I had the opportunity of working for three Arizona governors, and I worked on complex financing and public/private partnership projects. And one of the things that I'm most proud of is the opportunity to work with two governors as their policy advisor for growth in infrastructure.

And I believe that the most important thing that Scottsdale I.D.A. is facing is the possibility of irrelevancy, and what I would like to do is I would like to really work with community leaders and businesses and all of the folks that are impacted by the potential investments of the Scottsdale I.D.A. to truly understand that it really is a diamond in the rough. And I would work very hard with the other members of the I.D.A. to actually really explore all the opportunities, apply my financing background, my ability to structure and to negotiate complex public/private partnerships to serve the citizens of Scottsdale. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you. Does anyone wish to intimidate Ms. Scutari further?

Shannon Scutari: It's already done. Sorry.

Vice Mayor Smith: Seeing none, thank you very much.

Shannon Scutari: Thank you.

[Time: 00:51:48]

Vice Mayor Smith: As we vote, each councilmember can vote once and we have, of course, only two applicants and I will start with you Councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Shannon Scutari.

Vice Mayor Smith: Shannon Scutari.

Councilman Phillips: Shannon Scutari.

Vice Mayor Smith: I'm sorry, councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Andrew Armstrong.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Scutari.

Councilwoman Klapp: Shannon Scutari.

Mayor Lane: Andrew Armstrong.

Vice Mayor Smith: And that completes the voting. Shannon, as intimidating as it may be, you have been elected. Congratulations.

TOURISM ADVISORY TASK FORCE

[Time: 00:52:27]

Vice Mayor Smith: The Tourism Advisory Task Force has three openings and our first speaker will be Ace Bailey, if you are here in the audience. Oh, she submitted her answers in writing, but she's unable to attend the interview. She is interested in the position. Our first speaker -- it says right here.

Mayor Lane: So you are not here.

Vice Mayor Smith: We will change the rules and allow Ace Bailey to address the council.

Ace Bailey: Mayor, Vice Mayor, city councilmembers, thank you very much. I was unsure if I would be here tonight, because I was conducting a tour for a journalist from Germany. So I hustled through it and made it. You basically have my thoughts on paper, but I will go over them with you again. I am Ace Bailey. I live at 6914 East 3rd Street in Scottsdale. I have been here for, well, since probably 1970. It was a little after I was born.

The reason I want to serve on the tourism task force is that I have been involved in tourism in Scottsdale since 2000. When I started my own company in 2006, my involvement became much greater. I want to see Scottsdale prosper as a premier tourist destination and I believe that the

T.A.T.F. has the ability and the ideas to make that happen. And I sincerely want to be a part of that.

I have been attending the task force meetings from the beginning when they had the meeting at the Scottsdale Princess and I have been a commissioner on the T.D.C. for six years as the commissioner, I have been attending all the task force meetings as a representative of the T.D.C. And now I want to participate in an active role. I feel that my involvement in tourism in Scottsdale providing tours, serving on the Tourism Development Commission, as well as working on the concierge team at the hotel valley ho, I can bring ideas and insight into the tourism task force.

I think the biggest issue facing the task force is getting Scottsdale back into the enviable position of being a leader in tourism. We are still a great tourism destination, but we risk losing ground -- losing ground without groundbreaking rules that will truly set us apart from the surrounding communities. The task force is diligently working toward moving ideas of that caliber forward and I feel that serving on the Tourism Advisory Task Force, it would give me the opportunity to contribute to that in a very meaningful way. And with that, thank you very much for your time.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Ms. Bailey. And thanks for being here. Our next speaker is Scott Eubanks, and just to cue things up, Allan Henderson, you will be next.

[Time: 00:55:35]

Scott Eubanks: My gratitude to the council, I am, in fact, honored to even be nominated for the board position in question. I am Scott Eubanks. I live at 7209 East McDonald Road in Scottsdale and have for 24 years. I have had a business here in Scottsdale, an active business, 12 months a year for 23 and a half years down on main street.

As to why I would want to serve on the board, I will tell you this, that I do have a vested interest in Scottsdale's success and tourism. That's probably one of the motivators. The second thing is I'm very, very proud to be a citizen of Scottsdale. I think we have a wonderful position in the marketplace and I think I have relevant experience in world of tourism and tourism attraction and strategic thinking to be a good addition to the advisory board.

My relevant experience, I would point out a few things. I have been vice president of economic marketing for chambers of commerce in Shreveport, Louisiana and Fort Worth, Texas. I have been the director of commerce and economic development in Rhode Island, Virginia, Oklahoma, and Arizona. Two of those states included tourism was under my guidance as well as being Rhode Island and Virginia. Both successful programs. I taught community marketing and marketing development at the University of North Carolina through seminars, Oklahoma university, Rochester institute of technology and the university of Maine, I taught community development. I also served on the advisory board of the Arizona State treasurer's investment committee when Tony West was the treasurer. I would be extremely flattered to be here.

I think probably the most important things facing the tourism industry in Scottsdale, probably would be that we need to extend the shoulder seasons. We have some magnificent events that come here

and we should be very vigilant to try to identify others that will develop the marketplace of high quality that meets the standards of Scottsdale. That's a position in marketing no one wants to give up. And lastly, I believe I would bring integrity and an openness to any part of government I were lucky enough to serve on in this city. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Eubanks. Alan Henderson. And the next speaker will be Mallard Owen.

[Time: 00:58:42]

Allan Henderson: Thank you, Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Smith and city council. My name is Allan Henderson and I own a property on east Camelback Road. In 2008, we opened the Best Western Plus Sundial and I would -- why I would like to be involved, it's an opportunity to engage in the community and be a part of the whole.

25 years ago, city council told me that first of all, they wondered what the heck a boutique hotel was and that no one would come to my side of the canal for accommodation. And in the last 25 years, I have seen Scottsdale develop a brand that most cities would give their eye teeth for, and we really do have it all and I'm happy to be in business in the city. Like I said in 2008, we opened up as the Best Western Sundial, and we have been adopted by Best Western International, whose headquarters is here in the valley and we have -- I think we have quite possibly the most engaged Best Western hotel in the country. I have had the opportunity to work on national and international focus groups as well as worldwide brand identification, worldwide marketing and worldwide sales.

I believe that the biggest issue right now at the A.Z. central and I think my experience with the online reservations could be of some help, and if I'm selected, would be honored and I will do the best job I could.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you Mr. Henderson. Seeing no questions, we will proceed to Mr. Mallard Owen. The next speaker is Michael Feeley.

[Time: 01:00:30]

Mallard Owen: Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor and members of the city council. I have been a resident here for a whopping 352 days. That's 79552 Chaparral Road. And I'm excited to be out here. I came out here to be chief of operations for the Scottsdale Cultural Council. What I'm most excited coming out here is not only the great success that the cultural council has had in the past but what I think is the future of the cultural council and fulfilling its mission to be the organization that the city of Scottsdale has reached out to be the undertaker of all things related to arts and culture for the city. I think we have done a wonderful job of managing two buildings, the museum of contemporary art and the performing arts center but I'm a firm believer that to fulfill that mission, we must reach out and engage local businesses and improve our relationships with local arts organizations and I think there's great opportunity going forward in terms of how the cultural council can work with local businesses.

In terms of my own professional experience, of all things a doctorate degree and a master's degree and a master's degree in exercise science and physiology, you might not think how I would end up in an arts organization. I ended up getting involved in health club management and hospitality, and actually then ended up getting into running various management consulting firms and becoming director of strategic initiatives for a large international hospitality management company. And I think that diversity of experience is something that really will help me engage with local businesses. I actually was involved with the small business council and started a business advisory group to help small businesses become successful. I'm all about how do we help our cultural council become more successful and local businesses become more prosperous through more active engage.

I think the role I can play in terms of being on the Tourism Advisory Task Force is to look at ways as the cultural council help to implement some pilot programs and the ways that we can further the strategic plan that the city is working on in terms of how we can, I will say, recapture the arts and culture leadership. I'm on various community events, everything from large community fairs to 700 person races. I have been very involved in civic outreach as well. So I appreciate this opportunity.

We have a wonderful number of esteemed candidates that have many more years of living here in Scottsdale but I hope the prior position on being on the Tourism Advisory Task Force where we had a seat at the table, we can continue to do so. So thank you for the opportunity.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Mr. Owen. Seeing no questions. Michael Feeley. Followed by French Thompson.

[Time: 01:03:55]

Michael Feeley: Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, councilmembers, thank you for this opportunity. My name is Michael Feeley, live at 20722 North 38th Street and I have been here in the valley and working inside the Scottsdale market for the past 21 years. And I feel it's a great privilege for this opportunity.

Why I feel I should serve on this commission or task force is I am a hotelier, I'm a general manager at the McCormick Scottsdale. I have a strong, vested interest in the success of the city and the tourism. Obviously my experience is through running hotels. I came up through the ranks as a food and beverage director, starting here with the point hotels. So that as well as the fact that I'm heavily active with the valley hotel and resort association, Scottsdale chamber and the CVB. And by being active, I'm very in tune with what we need to do to be more relevant and Scottsdale is probably the cornerstone of tourism in this state and we don't want to lose that relevancy, especially when we are competing with several other cities throughout the country, and very specifically, you look at Florida and San Diego.

And for that reason, I think that the top issue facing us is that relevancy and a good example would be the desert discovery center. I think it's just another opportunity for us to embrace this market and grow and develop our tourism and be a market leader. Thank you very much for your time.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you very much, Mr. Feeley. Seeing no questions, French Thompson, followed by Sandra Schenkat. I'm getting notes from home that I'm out of alphabetical order, but I have to tell you, I'm following the script that I was given here and I'm incapable of realphabetizing things.

[Time: 01:06:08]

French Thompson: Well, you are forgiven. My name is French Thompson. Thank you Mayor, Vice Mayor Smith, and city councilmembers. I would like to donate my time to the rest of these esteemed people who just stood up here because I'm impressed with the candidates that you have. I might be the least qualified to do this. I have lived in Scottsdale for 37 years. I live at 8322 East Vernon Avenue, 85257.

I'm a merchant. I'm involved with the arts. I moved here from Colorado for the arts. This city has been known for the arts and it's the thing that I think a lot of tourists come here for. We have got the beautiful sun. We got golf. We got the arts. Those are three of the main things that Scottsdale has built themselves around.

And I see the arts as one of the biggest things that tourism should direct themselves towards. I have been attending the TAFT T-A-T-F meetings. I see some of the things need a little bit more creativity and digging into things that they are not already doing. I have think I could bring that to -- the biggest issue that the organization has is that they are not looking outside the box. I think that's really important. I think that's what happens in the arts. Artists tend to real -- a really good artist tends to look outside the box.

I have been watching the city councilmembers work very hard in a lot of different events. I have stood up here in argument with a lot of different things with the city council about some of the things and I think that now that I appreciate how much work that they are doing, and all the people on the T.A.T.F. force are putting time and energy into this. I want to volunteer my time and give back to the city. I think that's about the own thing that' ever going -- only thing that's ever going to keep this city growing is volunteerism.

So I just -- I'm really impressed with all of these other candidates and I appreciate having those others to make your termination from.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, French. The last applicant is Sandra Schenkat.

[Time: 01:08:27]

Sandra Schenkat: My name is Sandy Schenkat and I live at 10961 East Gary Road. Good afternoon, Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Smith and all other councilmembers. I have lived in Scottsdale for six years and two years prior to that, I was a snowbird.

I know that you all have received our lengthy applications. Mine was three pages long. So I won't reiterate all of that as far as my qualifications. I do want you to know, though, in the spring of 2013, I submitted my first application to the T.A.T.F., and out of 27 applicants, 14 were appointed. Today only five of those original people remain. It will be my great honor to be appointed to the Tourism Advisory Task Force and I pledge my support and positive contributions to this very important city task force.

As I mentioned in my application, I have attended many of the T.A.T.F. meetings and the T.D.C. meetings, since the inception of the T.A.T.F., with the exception of my recent lapse in 2015. I have reviewed the meeting minutes and related documents of those five meetings and I feel I am now up to speed on the current issues, committee involvement and presentations by web management and holly street consulting. I'm ready to jump in and give you my experience and knowledge to assist the other ten members of the Tourism Advisory Task Force with the knowledge and the support needed to raise the mission of the T.A.T.F. and make Scottsdale the ultimate tourist destination in the United States.

I believe that the top issue is proceeding with Arizona central, which will make Scottsdale the hub of tourism in Scottsdale. Any questions? And I do hope you all read my application and have read all of my emails. So thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you, Ms. Schenkat. That completes the presentations.

[Time: 01:10:47]

Vice Mayor Smith: I do need to note before we start the voting that although residency is not a requirement for this task force, a majority of the task force members need be residents and therefore we need at least two of the three appointments tonight to be Scottsdale residents. That said, we will proceed. Each councilmember can vote for up to three nominees. I will begin with --

Mayor Lane: Vice Mayor, just a quick question. I think that -- just for the record, that Mr. Feeley indicated that he is now a resident, even though on the applicant information I have it indicates that he is not a resident. I just wanted to know given the information you just mentioned.

[off microphone comment]

Mayor Lane: You are still a Phoenix resident? Okay. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Smith: I think we have two nonresident members, Mr. Feeley and Mr. Henderson. So my vote will be for Mr. Eubanks, Mr. Thompson, and Ms. Schenkat.

Councilman Phillips: Scott Eubanks, Allen Henderson and Sandy Schenkat.

Vice Mayor Smith: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Scott Eubanks, Alan Henderson, Sandy Schenkat.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. Feeley, Mr. Owen, and Ms. Bailey.

Councilwoman Klapp: Scott Eubanks, Alan Henderson, Sandy Schenkat.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Ace Bailey, Michael Feeley, and Alan Henderson.

Councilmember Korte: Ace Bailey, Michael Feeley and Alan Henderson.

Vice Mayor Smith: And with that then we have three openings and does that mean, I guess Mr. Henderson, Mr. Eubanks and Ms. Schenkat. Congratulations to the three of you.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

[Time: 01:13:16]

Vice Mayor Smith: The Tourism Development Commission is our last commission this evening. There's one opening, and there is only one applicant. Mr. Bob McCreary, if you are here, you can address the council. In the meantime, I will remind listeners that the Tourism Development Commission advises the City Council on matters concerning the expenditure of revenues from the Transaction Privilege Tax on transient lodging designated for tourism development. Mr. McCreary is currently a member of that committee. His term expires January 20. He represents a hotelier position and he's eligible for reappointment and by standing here we assume you have submitted and are still interested.

Robert McCreary: Good evening Mayor, Vice Mayor and council, thank you very much for having me today. My name is Rob McCreary I reside at 8512 East Via de Pallaza. I have been in Scottsdale since 1975. I was gone for about ten years. I transferred with my job and have been fortunate to be in some wonderful tourism areas. Monterey, Lake Tahoe, San Francisco, as well as the big island of Hawaii. So I have seen a lot of tourism area and a lot of tourism challenges. One of the nice things about Scottsdale is dependent as we are on tourism, it is not our only game like the big island and Tahoe -- well, Tahoe has the gaming, but.

I would like to do a second term because I found out during the first three years how much I really enjoyed watching some of the things we have done. I came along at the very end of the -- right before the opening of the Tony Nelssen equestrian center which I feel is a great, great addition to the city. Also I was very happy to be part of making sure that the Scottsdale Museum of the West went forward as well and some of the other programs we worked on.

Besides the T.D.C., I have been on two high school advisory committees for Chaparral and Fountain Hills high school. I'm on the national advisory board of N.R.U. SHRM program and currently I'm on the board of the valley hotel association and the state hotel association.

As far as the issues facing Scottsdale, I think there are several. One of the things I like about this

position is how we get to try to create new experiences, new convention-type oriented things, things that will help to broaden the spectrum of what we offer here in Scottsdale. I know transportation and the revitalization of downtown also fall in there and they are challenges because there will always be some opposition to almost anything that we want to do. Like I said, I enjoyed this position and getting to know a lot of you. Fortunately, councilperson Korte saved me one morning when I was at a gas station without my wallet on the way to a T.D.C. meeting. It's nice to know, and I hopefully will be able to do it for another three. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Smith: Thank you. And we have no questions, which is good. You are leaving the podium.

[Time: 01:16:40]

Vice Mayor Smith: Mr. Phillips, I will let you begin the voting.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. McCreary.

Vice Mayor Smith: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Mr. McCreary.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. McCreary.

Councilwoman Klapp: Robert McCreary.

Mayor Lane: Robert McCreary.

Councilmember Korte: Robert McCreary.

Vice Mayor Smith: And we will make it unanimous. That concludes our appointment process. I would like to thank all of you who have interviewed. I will suspend my 30 minutes closing remarks and turn it back to you, mayor.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 01:17:10]

Mayor Lane: Thank you Vice Mayor. I very much appreciate that. With that generous move, I will ask for a motion to adjourn and thank you for your service and thank you, incidentally for awful the applicants who applied. I think it was said before, but it's certainly felt by all, we have a -- really it's a great honor to have so many great applicants for -- that want to serve our community. So thank you for your effort. And if you didn't get chosen today, certainly stay in the running. It's certainly something we would want to reconsider in the future. And with that, a motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Korte: So moved.

Councilwoman Klapp: Second.

Mayor Lane: The motion has been moved and seconded. All those in favor of adjournment, please indicate by aye.

We will take a ten minute break, we'll say at 5:30 and then we will be back for the regular meeting.