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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:03]

Mayor Lane: Good afternoon everyone. Welcome to Kiva and for our December 4, 2019 Special Meeting. I'll start with a call to order. This will be for the one and only purpose of the boards and commissions interviews and appointments. For that purpose, I will turn the meeting over to Vice Mayor Kathy Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, Mayor. Good afternoon. The Scottsdale City Council is responsible..... I'm sorry. Do you want to do.....

Mayor Lane: I suppose that would be nice.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:42]

Mayor Lane: Let's have a roll call.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Kathy Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Guy Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: And Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Manager Jim Thompson.

Jim Thompson: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Sherry Scott.

Sherry Scott: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols.

Jeff Nichols: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: And the clerk is present.

[Time: 00:01:09]

Mayor Lane: Okay, now we are legally....

Vice Mayor Littlefield: We are legally here.

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

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, Mayor. The Scottsdale City Council is responsible for establishing City policies and enacting laws in support of those policies. The Council relies on volunteer, citizen-based boards and commissions to research issues and make recommendations in support of the Council's mission and goals. The information and recommendations provided by Council-appointed advisory boards is a valuable tool in helping Councilmembers in their deliberations.

This afternoon, the City Council will be appointing Scottsdale residents interested in serving on citizen advisory boards and commissions. I want to thank these individuals for their willingness to volunteer their time in service to this community. Following each set of interviews, we'll vote on the appointments for that board or commission. I'd like to remind our nominees that an orientation session will be held immediately following this meeting for those individuals that are appointed today. At the conclusion of this meeting, please gather by the City Clerk's office and a staff member will escort you to the orientation session.

As I call your name, please approach the podium and briefly cover the following: For the record, please state your name and address and how long you have lived in Scottsdale. Please tell us how your education, employment, or volunteer experience relates to this board or commission. What is the top issue facing this board or commission? Please limit your comments to two minutes or less. We have a timer by the screen to help you manage your time. Following each nominee's response, I'll ask Councilmembers if they have any follow-up questions for you.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

[Time: 00:03:13]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Our first board is the Board of Adjustment and there is one opening. The Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body that hears variance requests, appeals of the Zoning Administrator's interpretation/decisions, and decides on administrative decisions or zoning requirements, which create unnecessary hardships in the development of property because of exceptional or extraordinary conditions. There is one vacancy on this board and one nominee. The nominee is Jason Chocron. Is he here? Thank you.

[Time: 00:03:53]

Jason Chocron: My name is Jason Chocron. I own a flooring company and I have a showroom on Scottsdale Road. We're going into our 25th year at that shopping center, so we've been in the neighborhood a very, very long time. My education, I actually graduated from the University of Phoenix. I have a bachelor's in business management. I also own and manage a dog rescue so we have a non-profit for senior dogs here in Scottsdale. We rehome 50 to 60 dogs per year. The top issue, I don't know if it is an issue for the board, but I see an issue in the public eye when it comes to variances that are given. We've had a lot of variances in our neighborhood for builds and I was hoping we could try and educate the public more on the variances that get approved to try and help people understand why and when they occur.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much. Are there any questions by the Council for this nominee?

I will now entertain a vote for the Board of Adjustment. Each Councilmember can vote once. We'll begin with Councilwoman Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Jason Chocron.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. Chocron.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Mr. Chocron.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: No additional.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Chocron.

Councilmember Korte: Mr. Chocron.

Mayor Lane: Mr. Chocron.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: You have been appointed. Thank you.

BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD OF APPEALS

[Time: 00:05:47]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Okay, our next board will be the Building Advisory Board of Appeals. There are three openings. The Building Advisory Board of Appeals has the jurisdiction to recommend that minor variances in the electrical, plumbing and mechanical application of the Building Code be granted and that alternative construction methods or materials be allowed. There are three vacancies, however, there is only one nominee. The nominee is Marcy Kostewa. Marcy's term has expired and she is eligible for reappointment.

[Time: 00:06:40]

Marcy Kostewa: My name is Marcy Kostewa. I have been a manufacturer's rep for electrical products for the last 40 years and I am a general contractor for the last 10 years. I believe the top issue facing the board is a fair hearing beyond the inspectors for any aggrieved party.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much. Are there any questions? Then we will begin our voting with Councilwoman Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Kostewa.

Councilwoman Whitehead: No additional.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: No additional.

Councilman Phillips: Ms. Kostewa.

Councilmember Korte: Ms. Kostewa.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Kostewa.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Ms. Kostewa, you have been appointed.

Councilwoman Klapp: I didn't get to vote.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: I'm sorry Suzanne. Please do.

Councilwoman Klapp: I think she said her name was Kostewa. So it's Marcy Kostewa? I vote for her.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, Ms. Kostewa, you have now been appointed.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

[Time: 00:07:57]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: The next board is the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mayor Lane: Excuse me, as we are talking about no additional in the nomination process, that's one thing, but we are in the voting process and we probably should change that to vote, unless councilmembers intended to have a no vote for the applicant. We should ask if the individual councilmembers wanted to vote no on the applicant when they said, "no additional."

Councilwoman Whitehead: No, I vote for Ms. Kostewa. I think that I didn't know how to pronounce her name.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: As do I.

Mayor Lane: Pardon me for the interruption, Vice Mayor.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: That's a good point. The Historic Preservation Commission has one opening. The Historic Preservation Commission oversees the development and management of Scottsdale's Historic Preservation Program. There is one vacancy and one nominee. The nominee is Blair Schweiger. Her term has expired and she is eligible for reappointment. She is unable to join us this evening, however she is very much interested in being reappointed to this commission. We will begin the voting with Councilwoman Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: So I vote for Blair Schweiger.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Blair Schweiger.

Councilman Phillips: Schweiger.

Councilmember Korte: Blair Schweiger.

Mayor Lane: Blair Schweiger.

Councilwoman Klapp: Blair Schweiger.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Schweiger.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Ms. Schweiger has been appointed.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

[Time: 00:09:51]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: The next commission that we are going to be looking at is the Human Services Commission. The Human Services Commission provides advisory recommendations to staff and the City Council on human services priorities and programs; and funding allocations for Scottsdale Cares, Community Development Block Grants, HOME, Human Services Emergency and General Funds. There is one vacancy and one nominee. The nominee is Emily Reilly. Is she here this evening? Emily? It looks not. I will now entertain a vote for the Human Relations Commission. Each Councilmember has one vote. I will begin and I vote for Emily Reilly.

Councilman Phillips: Ms. Reilly.

Councilmember Korte: Ms. Reilly.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Reilly.

Councilwoman Klapp: Emily Reilly.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Reilly.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Emily Reilly.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: She has been appointed. Thank you.

LIBRARY BOARD

[Time: 00:11:02]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: The Library Board has one opening this evening. The Library Board advises the City Council on general policy relating to the programs, services and future development of the Scottsdale Public Libraries. The board oversees the Library special revenue fund, which is made up of donations and funds generated through the sale of used books and magazines. There is one vacancy and two nominees, however one of those nominees has withdrawn, Sam Campana. Therefore we will hear from Sheila Collins. Ms. Collins' term has expired and she is eligible for reappointment.

[Time: 00:11:45]

Sheila Collins: Good afternoon. My name is Sheila Collins. I've been a resident since 1991. It has been a great privilege for me to serve my community as a member of the Library Board for the last three years. I have been passionate about libraries since I was a little girl in my hometown library of Davison, Michigan where that library served as a portal to a whole world of adventures. As an adult, during my almost three decades as a senior administrator at Mayo Clinic, I had oversight of five libraries including the medical library, the research library, the hospital medical library and two patient libraries. I saw firsthand the impact that access to information, resources have on teaching, learning and in the case of our patients, hope and comfort. I also currently volunteer at Redfield Elementary school where I'm known as "Miss Sheila" and I'm a storyteller and a tutor for Kindergartners and first graders in their school library. During my year as board chair in 2018, I focused on increasing the visibility and the outreach of the board in the community and to emphasize our critical role as a vehicle for citizen input on library services. Board members now proudly sport these buttons that I have on at library and community events and sometimes at Target and Starbucks. You'd be surprised what people ask you about the library at Target and Starbucks. My second focus was to strongly encourage the development of a comprehensive strategic plan with well-defined and measurable outcomes. Earlier this year, I served for six months as the board's representative on the library's strategic team. I'm proud to say that we have a new focused mission and robust 3-year plan. I believe the highest priority of the Board is to successfully execute that plan. To learn is to be human. Good libraries make good citizens. If I'm reappointed, I will work diligently to achieve those goals. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you. Any questions for this nominee? Then we will begin a vote beginning with Councilman Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Sheila Collins.

Councilmember Korte: Sheila Collins.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Collins.

Councilwoman Klapp: Sheila Collins.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Collins.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Sheila Collins and thank you for volunteering at Redfield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Sheila Collins. Sheila Collins has been appointed. Thank you.

LOSS TRUST FUND BOARD

[Time: 00:14:34]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: The next board is the Loss Trust Fund Board. The Loss Trust Fund Board is responsible for recommendations to the City Council regarding the administration of the loss trust fund.

There are two vacancies and two nominees. The nominees are Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith. We will begin with Richard O'Connor. Mr. O'Connor's term has expired and he is eligible for reappointment.

[Time: 00:15:08]

Richard O'Connor: Good afternoon, my name is Richard O'Connor. I have an undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree from Arizona State and have served the Loss Trust Fund Board for the last three years, so I would hope to be able to continue to volunteer and serve in that capacity. The biggest issue facing the board I believe is the upswing in Workman's Compensation claims and general liability losses. Both items point to the importance of active, active safety officers in the departments to drive safe practices and behaviors by employees. A couple of examples of what is an alarming trend is police workman's compensation claims. It spiked from 92 to 120 for the year. Community Services doubled their workman's compensation losses. The Fire Department had no safety officers for several months due to an internal promotion. And when I look at the catastrophic loss that occurred at Fire Station 1 and the fact that workman's compensation claims can last for years and years and years, I think it is very critical that departments emphasize safety and guidance to employees to minimize those losses. And a success story would be the Water Resources Board has a large population of employees but they have two safety officers in place and have the lowest loss in terms of the workman's compensation. That was my presentation and I'm glad to answer any questions.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Any questions for the Council? Thank you very much. Next is Allan Smith.

[Time: 00:17:27]

Allan Smith: Hello, my name is Allan Smith and I moved into Scottsdale in 2010 from southern California and I love it here. My relationship to the city professionally, well let me move back a while. University degree, insurance risk management. I work for a company called Marsh and McLennan and we're the largest insurance brokerage globally. I've worked there for 21 years, and when I came to Scottsdale as an insurance advisor, I became professionally familiar with the City as your client as your service provider for insurance. I'm no longer in that role in my company and I have transitioned into leading a role in the company for the west part of the United States that helps organizations' self-fund risk and how to administer that. I come from a long background but some of the concerns that I see from this committee as the changing dynamics that we have in the insurance marketplace, markets are hardening and costs are going up dramatically. As we just heard from Richard, some of the biggest issues are how do we preserve that fund that we have and oversee it? Certainly, safety has been talked about as a huge issue in that respect. And the more that we can drive those loss cost dollars down by the things that the board does, and the oversight of those decisions that are being made, and it serves the benefit of all of the citizens here. I'd love to serve in that capacity on your behalf.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much, sir. Any questions for this candidate? Thank you.

Allan Smith: And Redfield too, but the Cardinals.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: I will now entertain a vote for the Loss Trust Fund Board. Each councilmember can vote for two nominees. We'll begin with Councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith.

Mayor Lane: Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith.

>>Councilwoman Klapp: Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Smith.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Richard O'Connor and Allan Smith.

Councilman Phillips: O'Connor and Smith.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Very good, you have been appointed. Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION

[Time: 00:20:14]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: There are two openings this evening. The Neighborhood Advisory Commission advises and makes recommendations to the City Council on policies, plans, strategies and programs for the preservation, improvement and revitalization of Scottsdale's housing and neighborhoods. There are two vacancies and five nominees. The nominees are Jonathan Budwig, Laurie Coe, Alexandra Duemer, Carol Miraldi and Michael Wills. We will begin with Jonathan Budwig.

[Time: 00:21:04]

Jonathan Budwig: Hi, I'm Jonathan Budwig. Thank you for this nomination and having me here today. In preparing for tonight and this opportunity, I focus on finding out one thing, one thing that made me the right candidate for this commission. I was looking for one talent that I might have, and one talent that might qualify me for your selection for the Neighborhood Advisory Commission. What I realized in my search, is that with my background knowledge and working with large groups of people, problem solving and understanding both sides of the situation, this will allow me to bring many things to this commission, it won't just be one thing. My experience starts back when I purchased a small business, a sandwich shop at the age of 22. I ran this business for four years and the education that I got there alone was invaluable. I turned my skills to a well-known local restaurant group and operated various high performing restaurants. I would have teams of anywhere from 55-70 people that I would be managing. I would also be in charge of profits, cleanliness, sales, customer satisfaction and a whole lot more as you can imagine.

I quickly realized I wanted to do more than operate restaurants, I wanted to impact people's lives on a greater level. That's when I got my real estate license. In 2012, at the age of 28, I started selling residential real estate. Since becoming a realtor, I have experienced the impact a home can have on a family and what it truly means to be part of a community and a neighborhood where you feel safe and protected. As team leader with our real estate group, I've encouraged our agents to take part in many

events, giving back to our community, whether it was packaging food at Feed My Starving Children, boxing meals at St. Mary's Food Bank, or running our own silent auctions. With the current growth in our City, we really need to make sure all funds are allocated appropriately. I hope to be part of that. Thank you for your time and let me know if you have any questions.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much. Are there any questions for this nominee? Thank you so much, sir. Laurie Coe.

[Time: 00:23:25]

Laurie Coe: Good afternoon, Council and Mayor, and the public. Who has heard the quote "be the change you wish to see in the world." Because I value the ideal of community, the Neighborhood Advisory Commission's mission, to make recommendations to the Council on policies, plans, strategies and programs for the preservation, improvement, and revitalization of Scottsdale's neighborhoods. I believe that my passion for contributing to solutions and my 32-year real estate career qualify me to understand the work of the commission. I also serve on Scottsdale's community partners and volunteer often at many programs, especially, today at the Empty Bowls at Scottsdale Community College. It would be an honor to serve this commission as it moves forward with the Spirit of Scottsdale awards and to continue the ongoing relationship with G.A.I.N., Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods. As well as, dealing with the new grant money that has been given to the commission. As many of you will agree, the family unit is the core of our society and our neighborhoods are a reflection of our shared values. I hope you'll choose me for this commission.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you. Any questions for this nominee? Next is Alexandra Duemer. I apologize if I'm messing up the names.

[Time: 00:25:09]

Alexandra Duemer: Good afternoon Mr. Mayor and City Councilmembers. My name is Alexandra Duemer and I live in Scottsdale with my husband and two children. As a native established in 1976, I have deep roots in Scottsdale stemming from an SUSD primary education and my parents who developed the Borgata project in 1981. With a background in marketing, I launched my own community magazine called McCormick Ranch Lifestyle in 2007. The publication mailed to 10,000 homes in central Scottsdale with the goal of connecting neighbors and giving the community a voice. I was honored to work firsthand with so many residents and business owners in Scottsdale. I sold my business in 2016 and now work for the communications team for DC Ranch by producing their monthly publication while keeping a pulse on the issues affecting the community and surrounding area. I'm a graduate of the Scottsdale Leadership Program and being involved in decisions that affect where I live is important to me. Giving back is important to me. How do we maintain healthy neighborhoods, which are the life blood of Scottsdale? A current hot topic facing this commission is the impact of short-term rentals on our neighborhoods. I believe that I can contribute my knowledge and passion for Scottsdale and the communities to proactively address concerns like this and keep a thriving, desirable community for future generations. Thank you for this opportunity.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you. Does Council have any questions? Thank you very much. Next is Carol Miraldi.

[Time: 00:27:16]

Carol Miraldi: Good afternoon, everyone. My name is Carol Miraldi. I live in Scottsdale. I have been there for the past 23 years. I have been retired for the past three years from a position as a regional sales manager for a menswear company supervising over 150 associates in 6 states. I believe that background has given me great training for working with others, developing very good listening skills, and learning when it is time to compromise. Currently, I'm the vice-chair of the NAC and prior to that I spent six years with the Keep Scottsdale Beautiful commission. I also volunteer with Operation Fix-It. Most recently planting trees and shrubs in Agua Linda Park and the Rotary Park. I think the top issues that faces our commission right now is using the grant money that we've been given wisely so that we benefit the most people in our great city. Our commission has learned to discuss any projects that come before us very thoughtfully and respectfully, and although we may not always have a totally unanimous vote, it is usually very, very close. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much. Any questions from the Council? Thank you. Our final nominee is Michael Wills.

[Time: 00:29:13]

Michael Wills: Good afternoon, Mayor and City Council. I'm here to briefly tell you about my history and involvement with the city of Scottsdale and why I have an interest in serving on this commission. I have spent almost my entire life in Scottsdale attending Supai as an elementary and middle school. On to Coronado High School, on to SCC and finally going to ASU for my degree in finance. I have currently served my last 16 years as a Realtor here based in Scottsdale. I'm a recent graduate of Scottsdale Leadership Program, proud member of Class 33. I'm the co-chair of our neighborhood's block watch program and I'm also involved with the Scottsdale-based non-profit Neighbors Helping Neighbors. If you're not familiar with that organization, I guess the easiest way to describe it, is our mission is very much in line with the Operation Fix-It. We put our work gloves on, we go to our most vulnerable citizens' homes, and we do whatever it is they need help getting done. We have done a project with Operation Fix-It and as we speak, we are looking to do another one and get it on the calendar.

Why I want to be on this commission? All of these years of working and living in our City, I have seen the decline that is possible when neighborhoods get ignored. Unfortunately, some of these are neighborhoods that my friends and I grew up in. On the flip side, I have seen the transition and turnaround of neighborhoods that are now thriving and doing better than they've done in decades. Part of that's going to be a result of the economic climate that we're in. The other part of it is citizens and leadership taking an active role and engaging in these neighborhoods and turning them around and making them what they are today. So, my motivation is to be a part of that process and identify the challenges that face our neighborhoods today. You ask what I think that might that be? I think two of them. I think we need reasonable and responsible solutions for short-term rentals within our neighborhood and we also need to figure out ways to get the resources, not just financial, to our most vulnerable citizens within our community and help them maintain their houses in a way that benefits the entire neighborhood. With that, I appreciate your time and even more so your consideration.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Are there any questions? Thank you, sir. This concludes this part of it. We will

now go to making the appointments. We will begin with Mayor Lane.

Management Assistant Rommel Cordova: Excuse me, Mayor. Just one moment. I had an issue with the screen.

Mayor Lane: Just a little more drama.

Rommel Cordova: Thank you.

Mayor Lane: Very good. My vote will be for Carol Miraldi and Michael Wills.

Councilwoman Klapp: Carol Miraldi and Michael Wills.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Miraldi and Mr. Wills.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Carol Miraldi and Laurie Coe.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Laurie Coe and Michael Wills.

Councilman Phillips: Michael Wills and Alexandra Duemer.

Councilmember Korte: Carol Miraldi and Michael Wills.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Okay, we have Carol Miraldi and Michael Wills. They have been appointed. Thank you very much.

PLANNING COMMISSION

[Time: 00:32:49]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: We have one additional commission and that's the Planning Commission. There is one opening. The Planning Commission holds public meetings and makes recommendations to the City Council on all matters relating to the creation of zoning districts, the enforcement of zoning regulations, amendments to all zoning ordinances and any other planning and zoning issue. There is one vacancy and three nominees. Dana Close and Joseph Cusack withdrew their applications from consideration. The remaining nominees are AJ Germek, William Scarbrough, and Prescott Smith. Mr. Scarbrough is unable to join us this afternoon, however, he is very much interested in being appointed to the commission. I will now entertain a vote. There's no one here? Oh, I'm sorry. Okay. AJ Germek. I apologize, I'm reading down here and not paying attention.

[Time: 00:34:21]

AJ Germek: Good afternoon. My name is AJ Germek. I came here about eight years ago from Virginia. My background is an auditor systems consultant for Price Waterhouse Coopers. I did financial planning, strategic planning for AT&T, Verizon and Fidelity Investments. I did strategic planning, marketing and operations for several small hardware and software companies. My last activity was working for the

federal government and the Treasury Department and the agency that oversaw the TARP funds, which was the bailout in 2008.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Sir, could you speak more into the microphone, please?

AJ Germek: Okay. I have been looking at the development plans and the development projects and I have seen, as many of us have seen, the gap that's developed between public perception and what the Planning Commission and the board wants to do. So, I think that's the biggest problem. I have looked at cities here in the U.S. that are good examples of having successfully bridged that gap. I have looked at eight different cities here. Recently, I came back from a trip to Europe, I toured ten ten cities to see how they handled development and preserving what in fact are the ancient but beautiful neighborhoods in various European cities. Some of them are really on top of this issue of bridging that gap. And so, what I think, is we need to fill the public awareness gap of what is good development, what is appreciated development, and how that connects to what the Planning Commission is deciding and what the board is deciding. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you very much, sir. Are there any questions? Thank you. Our next is Prescott Smith. Mr. Smith's term has expired. He is eligible for reappointment.

[Time: 00:36:53]

Prescott Smith: Good afternoon, Prescott Smith. I'm a native of Scottsdale. For the past three years I have dutifully served on the Planning Commission and served on the Development Review Board prior to that. Over that span I truly believe that I have contributed significant value given my unique professional experience. I was born and raised in Scottsdale and have seen this city grow and improve into what we see today. My specific background in community outreach and citizen involvement gives me a specialized outlook that not many others have. It is my belief that the best projects for Scottsdale come when all of the parties come together and find a compromise. While this doesn't always happen, it has been my mission as a Planning Commissioner to make sure that we have taken into account everyone's voice and viewpoint for the betterment of our beloved city. I have truly enjoyed my time as a Planning Commissioner and hope that you will support me for reappointment this evening. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, sir. Any questions for Mr. Smith? I will now entertain a vote for the Planning Commission. Each councilmember has one vote. We will begin with Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Prescott Smith.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Prescott Smith.

Councilwoman Whitehead: AJ Germek.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: AJ Germek.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Smith.

Councilmember Korte: Mr. Smith.

Mayor Lane: Mr. Smith.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, Mr. Smith has been appointed. Thank you. This concludes our interview and appointment process for this afternoon. I would like to thank everyone who interviewed today and would like to note that we are fortunate to continue to receive qualified applicants for the positions on our boards and commissions. Also, please remember, even if you were not appointed today, your application will remain on file for one year for consideration at a future date if there are additional vacancies. The City of Scottsdale is lucky to have so many talented and willing individuals who are ready to serve our City and for that I thank you all. With that, I will turn our meeting back over to the Mayor.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Nice job on that. I want to thank everyone who applied, whether you were appointed or not and volunteering for the City is a positive thing for all. Thank you very much for your involvement with your city and congratulations to those who received those appointments.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:39:43]

Mayor Lane: With that, I'm going to adjourn our Special Meeting. I will take a motion to that effect.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Move to adjourn.

Mayor Lane: Motion and seconded and all those in favor, please indicate by 'aye' and register your votes. We will be back in a few minutes for our Regular meeting.