

# City of Scottsdale Tourism Development Commission Regular Meeting

9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 18, 2022 3939 N Drinkwater Blvd. Scottsdale, AZ 85251 Hybrid Meeting

# **Approved Minutes**

**PRESENT**: Sherry Henry, Chairperson

Richard Newman, Vice Chair

Anna Mineer Jeanne Alspaugh Sally Shaffer

**Chris Montgomery** 

**ABSENT:** Ken McKenzie

**STAFF:** Karen Churchard

Steve Geiogamah Ana Lia Johnson Holli Shannon Jackie Contaldo Cheryl Sumners

**GUESTS:** Lawdan Shojaee, Persian New Year Festival

### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Henry called the meeting of the Scottsdale Tourism Development Commission to order at 9:01 a.m. and noted the presence of a quorum. Ken McKenzie was absent.

### 2. Approval of Minutes

COMMISSIONER MONTGOMERY MOVED TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 16, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. VICE-CHAIR NEWMAN SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

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# 3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

VICE-CHAIR NEWMAN MOVED TO RE-APPOINT CHAIRPERSON HENRY AS THE CHAIRPERSON. COMMISSIONER SHAFFER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON HENRY ABSTAINED.

CHAIRPERSON HENRY MOVED TO RE-APPOINT COMMISSIONER NEWMAN AS VICE-CHAIR. COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). VICE-CHAIRPERSON NEWMAN ABSTAINED.

# 4. Tourism Development Commission Annual Report

Steve Geiogamah presented the annual report details.

VICE-CHAIR NEWMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE TDC ANNUAL REPORT AS PRESENTED. VICE-COMMISSIONER SHAFFER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

# 5. FY2022/23 Tourism Program Budget

Karen Churchard, Tourism & Events Director, made a presentation regarding the FY 2022/23 Tourism program budget.

VICE-CHAIR NEWMAN MOVED TO APPROVE FY2022/23 TOURISM BUDGET AS PRESENTED. VICE-COMMISSIONER MONTGOMERY SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

# 6. Western Week Events Update

Jackie Contaldo, Old Town Marketing Manager, provided an update regarding the 2022 Scottsdale Western Week.

# 7. Persian New Year Festival Event Funding Request

Lawdan Shojaee gave a presentation and requested an allocation of Tourism Development Event funds in the amount of \$65,000 in support of a one-year new event funding agreement with Persian New Year Festival LLC.

VICE-CHAIR NEWMAN MOVED TO RECOMMEND FUNDING FOR UP TO \$45,000. MOTION FAILED WITH A LACK OF A SECOND. COMMISSIONER MONTGOMERY MOVED TO RECOMMEND FUNDING UP TO \$40,000. COMMISSIONER SHAFFER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

### 8. Event Funding Recommendations

COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH MOVED TO APPROVE FUNDING AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER MINEER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

# 9. Staff Reports

Mr. Geiogamah reviewed staff reports related to bed-tax collection, bed tax hotel classification, bed tax proforma.

# **10. Public Comment**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

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# 11. Identification of Future Agenda Items

Mr. Geiogamah stated the future agenda items will include the event funding programs, Destination Marketing agreement and possibly a Super Bowl 2023 update.

# Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved by Chairperson Henry and seconded by Vice-Chair Newman the meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m. All in favor, no dissenting votes.

Next scheduled meeting is February 15, 2022