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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

[Time: 00:00:05]

Mayor Lane: Good afternoon, everyone. Nice to have you here with us. And I would like to call to order, the November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017, special meeting. We will start with a roll call, please.

#### **ROLL CALL**

[Time: 00:00:19]

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Virginia Korte.

Vice Mayor Korte: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: 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: David Smith.

Councilman Smith: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Manager Jim Thompson.

City Manager Jim Thompson: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Bruce Washburn.

City Attorney Bruce Washburn: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols. And the Clerk is present.

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

[Time: 00:00:42]

Mayor Lane: Thank you very much. Well, for our special meeting, there is only one issue, the boards and commissions interview and appointments and I will turn this meeting over to Vice Mayor Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Korte.

Vice Mayor Korte: Klapp, Korte. It all sounds the same doesn't it.

Mayor Lane: I'm sorry about that.

Vice Mayor Korte: This afternoon we will interview and appoint those sitting on advisory boards and commissions. I want to thank these -- I want to thank all of you for your willingness to volunteer your time and service for this community. We very much appreciate your time. So following each set of

interviews, we will vote, the council will vote on the appointments for that board or commission.

As I call your name, please come to the podium, and we ask that you briefly cover the following -- the following material. Please share your name, address and how long you have lived in Scottsdale, why you want to serve on this board or commission, how do you -- how do your experiences whether they are educational, professional or volunteer qualify you to serve on the commission. What do you think is the top issue facing your commission?

Please limit your comments to two minutes. We will have a timer in front of you on the screen to help you manage that time. And then following each nominee's response, I will ask councilmembers if they have any questions and then we will move on.

### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

[Time: 00:02:30]

Vice Mayor Korte: First, we have two openings for the Board of Adjustment. This particular board is a quasi-judicial board that hears variance requests, appeals of the zoning administrator's interpretation or decisions and decides on administrative decisions or zoning requirements.

Alper Adli's appointment expires on November 2017. Sergio Martinez resigned on August 30<sup>th</sup>. There are two vacancies and two nominees. The nominees are Alper Adli, and Brian Kaufman.

So Alper Adli, would you care to come to the podium, please?

[Time: 00:03:23]

Alper Adli: Thank you, Vice Mayor. My name is Alper Adli, I live on 14364 East Geronimo Road Scottsdale. I have been a resident of Scottsdale for over six years now. I would like to continue to serve on the board because I believe the board serves a great surprise in terms of addressing certain issues faced by residents and property owners and I have -- I have enjoyed serving on the board and it's been a very rewarding experience to serve on board. So I would -- those are the primary reasons why I would like to keep on serving.

In terms of experience, educational, I have a graduate degree in business administration. I have been involved in real estate for over 15 years, various companies, mainly in the finance area but I have been involved in other areas as well, including zoning, entitlements and land sales as well. So I believe those experiences make me qualified.

And finally, in terms of major issues facing the board, the boards hears a number of items with different complexity. I think the main thing is to come to the hearings and keep an open mind and intently listen to arguments presented and exercise good judgment. So that's all I have. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you Mr. Adli. Brian Kaufman. Excuse me, does council have any questions of Mr. Adli. Thank you. Mr. Kaufman.

[Time: 00:05:24]

Brian Kaufman: Thank you Vice Mayor, Mayor and Councilmembers. I'm Brian Kaufman. I live on 7718 East Garfield Street. That's south Scottsdale right off the green belt. I lived there for seven months but I have lived in -- you know, within a couple of miles of Scottsdale for 11 years. I'm looking to serve on the board of adjustment because I want to stay civilly involved and contribute to Scottsdale and I felt like the board of adjustment was the best fit of everything I saw.

My background, I was serving as an attorney for four years and three years of law school before that. I have been immersed in applying the legal standards that the board of adjustment applies at all of its meetings when it's determining whether to give an adjustment or not. You have these elements. You have to have arguments to each element. Are they to the point or non-sequiturs. So I go over it every day in my head at work. So I think I'm very well prepared to be on the board of adjustment and use the standards to determine whether adjustments should be given or not.

The top issue, I think, unlike other boards that may have a lot of politics going on, the main issue with the board of adjustment is just applying the standard for adjustment fairly and make sure you are smart about it and coming prepared is very important, as Mr. Adli said. With that, any questions? Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Council have any questions for Mr. Kaufman? Thank you.

So we have two vacancies and two nominees. Each councilmember can vote twice, and I would like to start with Mayor Lane.

Mayor Lane: Yes, I vote for Alper Adli and Brian Kaufman.

Vice Mayor Korte: Suzanne?

Councilwoman Klapp: I vote for Alper Adli and Brian Kaufman.

Councilwoman Milhaven: I'm confused. That says there's one opening.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: We can continue the votes, I have a hard copy if you like. We are having some technical difficulties.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Two? Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman.

Councilwoman Littlefield: No additional.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman.

Councilman Smith: Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman.

Vice Mayor Korte: And Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman.

And just allow me to ask protocol on votes. I believe that councilmembers need to vote on someone or you are not -- you are not voting on anyone?

Councilwoman Littlefield: No, I'm sorry. I'm voting for Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman.

Vice Mayor Korte: Okay. Okay. Thank you. So I believe that then Mr. Adli and Mr. Kaufman, congratulations on being elected to the Board of Adjustment.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD**

[Time: 00:09:06]

Vice Mayor Korte: And then we move on to Environmental Quality Advisory Board. There's one opening, the Environmental Quality Advisory Board, advises the city council on issues related to environmental quality and the prioritization of future environmental activities and programs. Special qualifications as specified in the Scottsdale city code, the membership of the board shall reflect both scientific and nonscientific interests.

Michael Holt's term expires November 12th, 2017. He represents a science/business position. He is eligible for reappointment, however, did not submit an application for consideration. Stephanie Clark has withdrawn her application for consideration from this round.

So there's one vacancy and three nominees. The nominees are Tammy Bosse, Anthony Coletta and Natalie Lazarr. I would like to start with Tammy Bosse, please.

[Time: 00:10:04]

Tammy Bosse: Hello, Mayor and Council. I'm happy to be here. I live at 2417 North 60<sup>th</sup> Street. I have been here 25 years.

And as a community steward, I have a strong desire to serve the city of Scottsdale. I served in many capacities and I would like to put my expertise as a business owner and as a community steward to work for this commission. I believe that it's very, very important for us to balance our business concerns with our environmental responsibilities in order to keep Scottsdale a very wonderful place to live and to maximize the use of our resources and to minimize our expenses.

I'm a graduate of Scottsdale leadership and S.A.R. leadership academy. Valley leadership, a neighborhood leader and also have a lot of background in sustainability. I have been involved with government, nonprofit, and also sustainability as far as being on the board of directors for the Arizona

green chamber of commerce, where, again, we focus very heavily on balancing business and sustainability concerns. I'm also involved in the United States green build and council, N.A.R. green designee and eco broker and sustainable building advisor and continuously educate myself on environmental concerns, again, always focused on balancing business and sustainability interests.

I feel like we have a great opportunity with our community's solid waste plan and I would say once again our focus is to utilize our waste as an asset and as an opportunity and to look at ways to maximize what we can do with our waste instead of seeing it as a liability. And so that's where I would like to initially focus my energy, but, of course, we have a lot of opportunities to face in the future in this area.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Tammy. Does council have any questions for Ms. Bosse? Thank you. Anthony Coletta.

[Time: 00:12:47]

Anthony Coletta: Mayor Lane and councilmembers thank you for opportunity to speak to you today. My name is Tony Coletta, live at 11254 East Jenan. I will have lived in Scottsdale for nine years.

The reason I want to serve on the board is my professional background and third, I have future aspirations to serve the city of Scottsdale. My career, I will have served 30 years in the environmental consulting arena, including environmental due diligence, phase one, phase two experience, subsurface investigations and property condition assessments which include looking at structural evaluations of buildings. I do that in a number of locations, including in Arizona and multiple states across the country. I have done thousands of assessments which require me to deal with the ADEQ and various other governmental agencies in the states I'm working in. I have also been involved internationally in Mexico, Canada, and various countries and Europe, including the Netherlands doing the same type of work. So I have a lot of experience dealing with governmental agencies, setting policy and understanding those policies.

The second item is my dedication to community service prior to moving to Arizona, I lived in St. Paul, Minnesota, and I was a member of the St. Paul planning commission from 2003 to 2006. That appointment was from Mayor Randy Kelly at the time. Prior to, that I served in 2001 to 2003 on the environmental quality board which is the Dakota County, which is Apple Valley, where I lived. And I would like to continue doing that here in Scottsdale.

I also serve here in a number of volunteer positions. I'm the president of old Scottsdale youth baseball, a community baseball league here in Scottsdale. Mayor Lane, you may remember back in February of this year, you were a keynote speaker and we presented you a Jersey. We hope you can come back out again next year. I do a lot of things with community involvement and kids and family and the city of Scottsdale.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Mr. Coletta. There are any questions? Thank you.

Anthony Coletta: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: And finally, Natalie Lazarr.

[Time: 00:15:20]

Natalie Lazarr: Thank you all, I relish the opportunity. Again, my name is Natalie Christman Lazarr I'm actually a resident of Scottsdale for 17 years. I live at 7647 East Turquoise Avenue in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The big reason as to why I want to serve on the EQAB. I have a passion for the environment and community service, much like many of the other people who have spoken. This passion has fueled my career as an environmental engineer, cleaning up contaminated sites and helping my clients with pollution prevention. This passion is also the reason I stand here today because I care deeply about Scottsdale's future and I believe the skills I have are particularly useful to the board and can make a difference.

In terms of experiences that qualify me, I'm an environmental consultant much like our previous speaker. Most of my professional experience has been in the Phoenix metropolitan area, but I have also worked in Sydney Australia. I lived there for a few years, as well as worked for various projects in the city of Scottsdale. I worked on north Indian Bend wash and helped the city with the nifty part two application. And I have been worked at or toured all of the city of Scottsdale water treatment facilities.

Another area that I have a specific expertise is I'm an environmental engineer. I'm actually a professional engineer, licensed by the board. I have a professional temperament that makes me well suited to objectively evaluate and provide logical input on complex environmental issues.

In terms of our top issue, I have a little bit more time, I believe that sustaining our city's resources for future generations is the top issue. We have already had a vision and that sets us apart as a community to treat the preserve and the groundwater aquifer and implement a green building program that has made a difference. I want to be a part of planning that will protect and allow for the responsible use of our community's resources to maintain the quality of life that we expect in the city of Scottsdale.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Ms. Lazarr. Are there any questions from the council? Thank you.

[Time: 00:17:42]

Vice Mayor Korte: We have one vacancy, and three nominees. And each councilmember can vote once and I would like to start with Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Tammy Bosse.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Tammy Bosse.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Natalie Lazarr.

Councilman Phillips: I want to say these are all highly qualified candidates. I wish will he had three openings. I think I will cast my vote for Natalie Lazarr.

Councilman Smith: I will echo those sentiments in all respects, you are all highly qualified. I too will vote for Natalie Lazarr.

Vice Mayor Korte: And I will vote for Anthony Coletta.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Tammy Bosse.

Vice Mayor Korte: So I see we have a tie.

Management Assistant to the Mayor Kellie Kuester: Correct. At this point, we will remove Anthony Coletta from consideration and we will revote.

Vice Mayor Korte: Revote.

Management Assistant to the Mayor Kellie Kuester: Yes.

Vice Mayor Korte: So Suzanne.

Councilwoman Klapp: Tammy Bosse.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Tammy Bosse.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Natalie Lazarr.

Councilman Phillips: Ms. Lazarr.

Councilman Smith: Natalie Lazarr.

Vice Mayor Korte: And Tammy Bosse.

Mayor Lane: Tammy Bosse.

Vice Mayor Korte: So congratulations, Tammy has been appointed to the Environmental Quality Advisory Board.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**



[Time: 00:19:20]

Vice Mayor Korte: I would like to move on to our next commission, the Historic Preservation Commission. There's one opening. The Historic Preservation Commission oversees the development and the management of Scottsdale historic preservation program. Special qualifications is outlined in the Scottsdale city code, each member should have demonstrated special interest, knowledge or experience in at least one of the following, building construction, history, architectural history, real estate, historic preservation law or other historic preserve-related field. Also, the state recommends that at least one member from each of the following professions be on the this commission. And those professionals are registers architect, real estate professional, archaeologist or historian.

Doug Craig was appointed to the Development Review Board on September 12. He represented an individual at large. These two nominees represent an individual at large, Ben Brosseau and Christie Kinchen. And we will start with Mr. Broddeau.

[Time: 00:20:27]

Ben Brosseau: Hi everyone. My name is Ben Brosseau. I live at 6926 East Third Street at the Embassy Scottsdale. I've lived back in Scottsdale for just over two years; however, lived in Scottsdale as a resident from 1999 to 2008.

I want to serve this board for lots of reasons but I guess the number one reason is to apply my PR skills as a professional publicist towards historical preservation.

My experiences go back to a very young age. My father is involved in preservation and my father was involved in real estate in North Dakota. Preservation is something that's very important to me and my family. My educational experience is here from Arizona State University. I graduated in the first class of the bachelor of interdisciplinary studies which I just heard is now the number one program at A.S.U. My professional experience is more on the P.R. side. I am new to real estate, however, as a publicist here in Scottsdale my years with Brosseau P.R. were great. I opened some of the top hotels, nightclubs, retails in Scottsdale and was voted as the number one P. R. agency in 2008, and that was with a staff of ten or less.

I have volunteered extensively in west Hollywood, where I lived from 2008 until just a couple of years ago. And did a lot of public relations for TV, film and charity. I feel like in the P.R. world, timing is everything, and I think right now preservation is suffering something of a -- with optics. I would like to take my P.R. background and see what I can do with raising and promoting Scottsdale preservation awareness.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Mr. Brosseau.

Ben Brosseau: Thanks.

Vice Mayor Korte: Are there any questions? Thank you. Christie Kinchen. New BFFs.

[Time: 00:23:05]

Christie Lee Kinchen: We have similar goals. Good afternoon mayor, vice mayor, council thanks for the opportunity to apply for the Historic Preservation Commission. My name is Christie Lee Kinchen. I'm an Arizona native and I have lived in Scottsdale for all of my 38 years. My address is redacted due to my real estate administrator role but I'm a resident here in Scottsdale. I live in a 1964 red brick ranch home in park Scottsdale.

I'm talking really fast because I lost a minute. It's been said at its best preservation engages the past in the conversation with the present over a mutual concern for the future and that was from the first keeper of the national register of historic. Understanding, protecting and enhancing our heritage is what helps communities come alive. Preservation is the key urban planning tool of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and it can be equitable and sustainable in.

My opinion, historic preservation is about newness and vitality. Preservation and adaptive use is the best way to move a city into the future. It can help Scottsdale create thriving neighborhoods, good jobs and a vibrant economy. It's happening in Buffalo to Portland. And cities across America experience a remarkable Renaissance and more and more young diverse family hope to live, work and play in historic neighborhoods, promise and the potential of using our older and historic buildings to revitalize our cities is stronger than ever.

Take a look at Phoenix. Phoenix will take an old bank and turn it into the new it restaurant. Look at Federal Pizzas to Gracey's Tax Bar to Greg's Pie Factory. Phoenix's adaptive use has created some pretty creative transformations and have had tremendous success for Phoenix. A church can turn into a taco restaurant. In Tempe, Four Peaks Brewery is in the old Borden Creamery. I want to bring that to Scottsdale.

I'm qualified for this commission for many reasons. I own a residential brokerage, I'm currently an associate broker. I have been licensed in real estate for almost 18 years. My niche is mid-century modern home.

And the top issue, I will wrap this up, I would love to get more residential neighborhoods historic status and I think that's something that I could truly help with, if you give me the opportunity. And in closing, I feel personally people want to live in a place and travel to a place that feels distinctive and I want to be of service to Scottsdale to help us compete with other cities. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Phew! Are there any questions of the council? Okay. We can all breathe now.

[Time: 00:25:53]

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you. Thank you very much. So we have one vacancy and two nominees. Each councilmember can vote once. We will start with Councilwoman Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Kinchen.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Christie Kinchen.

Councilman Phillips: Ms. Kinchen.

Councilman Smith: Fastest talker in the west, Ms. Kinchen.

Vice Mayor Korte: Christie Kinchen.

Mayor Lane: Mr. Brosseau.

Councilwoman Klapp: Ben Brosseau.

Vice Mayor Korte: It's 5-2. Congratulations Ms. Kinchen and we appreciate your interest Mr. Brosseau also. So thank you.

#### **HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

[Time: 00:26:37]

Vice Mayor Korte: Moving on to Human Relations Commission this' one opening. The Human Relations Commission advocates and promotes all dimensions of diversity, including recommending ways to encourage mutual respect and understanding among people and helping produce special events that further its purpose.

Daria Lohman resigned September 12, 2017 and Maureen Aldes has withdrawn her nomination. There is one vacancy and four applicants. The applicants are Stephanie Collette, Lula Dae, James Eaneman and Donna Reid. And Stephanie Colette is unable to attend tonight. So we will start with Lula Dae. We heard that.

[Time: 00:27:28]

Lula Dae: Thank you, everyone, for the time and inviting me out. So I am -- my name is Lula Dae. I live at 14362 North 103<sup>rd</sup> Way. My wife and I moved here from the East Coast, the D.C., the Maryland area.

Why I want to serve. For my work on NOMI, the National Organization of Mental Illness, looking at diverse groups I was able to be a part of, that and go out and talk to people about mental illness and how it -- the stigma is actually hurting people and hurting the consumers which are considered the people that are our patients and helping bring and building and bridging gaps that are there.

The other one is I can speak to several cultural competency. I'm a diverse person. My wife is diverse and we also have a child. And all of my positions have afforded me the ability to get in front of people, having been a regional and district manager in health clubs and so forth. I have been able to get in front of people to talk to them about how just sitting and talking to people can help -- excuse me. Can help just break down wall and that's the most important thing.

I also -- I have a bachelor's degree in human resource management and legal studies and I'm finishing my master's degree in I.L. psychology and I will be pursuing my doctoral after that also in organizational leadership and all of those things I'm not afraid to get out and talk to people about what's right. Just because we look different, doesn't mean we can't say the same things and it's just one color. It's the human race. That's what's important.

I think the biggest issue that's facing me now is the perception that there are issues and that unfortunately has become a reality in a lot of people's homes. The biggest thing is, again, I hate to beat a dead horse. You have to talk to people and face what is facing you and have the hard conversations about let's just have a meal together and let's get it together. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Ms. Dae. Are there any questions? Thank you. James Eaneman.

[Time: 00:29:51]

James Eaneman: Mr. Mayor, members of the council, thank you for this opportunity to talk with you briefly today. My name is Jim Eaneman. I live at 11672 East Arabian Park Drive here in Scottsdale, and that's been my residence for the past 17 months.

I'm a bay area native and worked 37 years for Pacific gas and electric company in local, regional, operational management and the last five years as the company's human resources manager. And during that time, with our very diverse group of 23,000 team members, we won not only the Optimus award for the employee involvement and Department of Labor. I took early retirement to care for my ailing wife and sister-in-law and tragically lost them a few years later and after the children were out of school, I returned as a consultant and consulted all over the country and internationally primarily in organizational development, strategy and sensitivity in the workplace.

Over the course of my life, I was brought up and tried to live by the notion that service should be above self and that each of us have an innate responsibility to give back and to try to contribute to the communities in which we are privileged to live. To that end, my experiences involve the gamut from private industry councils for the city of Berkeley, ' three-time chamber of commerce in different cities and been the leader in youth groups, the chairman of the urban league's job training center for the entire east bay and those awards for better or worse were recognized by city councils, boards of supervisors and the state of California.

To me, the most important issue in any organization is to bring people together to communicate with one voice with respect for the diversity that we all bring through our backgrounds, our experience, and

our origins. And I believe that my experience might in a small way help to contribute to the already stellar record that the city of Scottsdale enjoys. Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you and for your consideration of my candidacy.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Mr. Eaneman. Donna Reid.

[Time: 00:32:44]

Donna Reid: Good afternoon Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor, city councilmembers, my name is Donna Reid, and I reside at 18245 North Pima Road Scottsdale. I lived in the Scottsdale area for 22 years.

I submitted my application to be a commissioner and active member and to serve the city of Scottsdale community. In 2004, I was appointed as the human services commission, and my term, I served as vice chair and chairperson during my appointment. Other volunteer experiences include Arizona foster care review board, executive member, Scottsdale prevention institution, as a board director, Maricopa association of government, human services coordinating committee member, and I'm also the founding member of the African-American network, which is a nonprofit organization here in Phoenix.

Top issues, I feel like need to develop in the surrounding cities to create foster mutual interests, establishes long-term partnerships. This would in turn enhance dialogue amongst differences and group, culture and religion and also to raise awareness and understanding in our community. This educational format can be processed through focus groups, community meetings, workshops, to build positive feedback and strategies to insight for more communication and community efforts. I appreciate your time and thank you for having my nomination. Any questions?

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Ms. Reid, are there any questions? Thank you.

Donna Reid: Thank you.

[Time: 00:34:48]

Vice Mayor Korte: It is time to vote. We have one vacancy and four nominees. Each councilmember can vote once. And I would like to start with Councilwoman Littlefield, please.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Lula Dae.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Eaneman.

Councilman Smith: Donna Reid.

Vice Mayor Korte: Lula Dae.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Reid.

Councilwoman Klapp: Donna Reid.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Lula Dae.

Vice Mayor Korte: So there is a tie. We'll eliminate Eaneman and Ms. Collette, and vote for either Lula Dae or Donna Reid. And start again with Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Lula Dae.

Councilman Phillips: Ms. Dae.

Councilman Smith: Donna Reid.

Vice Mayor Korte: Lula Dae.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Reid.

Councilwoman Klapp: Donna Reid.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Dae.

Vice Mayor Korte: Congratulations, Ms. Dae, you have been appointed to the Human Relations Commission. We appreciate your interest.

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION**

[Time: 00:36:09]

Vice Mayor Korte: Moving on, Neighborhood Advisory Commission, there is one opening. 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.

Jennifer Fabiano's term expires November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017. She is eligible for reappointment and has submitted an application for consideration. There is one vacancy and two applicants. The applications are Jennifer Fabiano and Amanda Nash. Ms. Nash is unable to attend the interviews tonight, but has submitted written responses.

So Ms. Fabiano.

[Time: 00:37:00]

Jennifer Fabiano: Thank you Mayor, Vice Mayor, and city councilmembers I'm Jennifer Fabiano. I

live at Cactus and I'm transitioning to old town which will be quite a change. I've lived in Scottsdale for over 40 years. My husband and I own two businesses a marketing firm and real estate brokerage.

This experience and my education and background have allowed me to be an active member of the commission and I respectfully request another term with the commission. I'm excited about the things that we're doing, especially what's coming up in 2018.

I think the biggest issue facing our commission is always getting residents more involved, generating participation and trying to foster that feeling of pride, because if we can do that with our residents, I think all of our neighborhoods will continue to thrive and our city will continue to thrive. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Well, thank you, Ms. Fabiano. Are there any questions from council? Thank you.

So we now will vote. We have one vacancy and two nominees. Each councilmember can vote once, and we would like to start with Councilman Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Jennifer Fabiano.

Councilman Smith: Jennifer Fabiano.

Mayor Lane: Jennifer Fabiano.

Councilwoman Klapp: Jennifer Fabiano.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Fabiano.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Jennifer Fabiano.

Vice Mayor Korte: And Jennifer Fabiano has been appointed to the Neighborhood Advisory Commission. Congratulations.

## **TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

[Time: 00:38:43]

Vice Mayor Korte: And moving on to the Transportation Commission, there are two openings. The Transportation Commission is an advisory board of the city council on matters related to transportation.

Jyme Sue McLaren resigned October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and Robert Stickle's term expires and is not eligible for appointment. Sandra Adler has withdrawn her application for consideration and Ronald Bell has withdrawn his application for this round of consideration.

There are two vacancies and eight nominees. The nominees are Mr. Anderson, Sam Hawkins, Scott Hermanson, Renee Higgs, Kent Lall, Steve Rosenberg, Bernadette Smith, and Mitzi Wilson. Kent Lall is unable to attend due to a prior commitment and has submitted written responses.

We will begin the interviews with Donald Anderson.

[Time: 00:39:44]

Donald Anderson: Thank you, madam Vice Mayor and Mr. Mayor and the councilmembers. My name is Donald Anderson, Jr., I'm -- my residence is 10616 North 68<sup>th</sup> Place in Scottsdale. I lived in the valley all of my life and I have lived in Scottsdale over 43 years. A long-time resident.

I believe my technical background and my engineering experience can be asset to the Transportation Commission. As the valley grows and the city grows and as Scottsdale has grown, transportation has become a larger and larger issue that needs to be dealt with. I have lived in the valley, like I said, all of my life.

I'm a principal in an engineering firm that I owned for over 33 years. I have experience in private development which basically interrelated to transportation issues and roadways and things like that. I have served on the city building advisory board of appeals from 1993 to 1999. Last year, year and a half as the chairman of the commission.

I think the thing that's -- the issues that are coming to the city now is trying to keep the transportation corridors flowing. We are getting more and more traffic. We need to expand those corridors and we need to do it in a good way. Another issue is the ongoing maintenance of our roadways. We need to keep up the maintenance to keep the roadways active on it. I think that's about all I have to say. I do have a lot of experience. I would like to serve the city.

Vice Mayor Korte: Does anyone have any questions? Thank you.

Donald Anderson: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Sam Hawkins.

[Time: 00:41:46]

Sam Hawkins: Thank you, Council. Good afternoon. My name is Sam Hawkins. I live full time at 17532 East 94<sup>th</sup> Place in Scottsdale. I lived there for six and a half years since moving back from Oregon. I also lived in Scottsdale from 1965 to 1974.

My interest in serving on the Transportation Commission was sparked by attending a Scottsdale 101 session where I heard Paul Basha speak about some of the challenges his department faces. Prior to moving back to Arizona, I served on the Oregon road advisory committee for six years. I learned a lot. I have think I was a value add to the committee.



And while Scottsdale's transportation challenges are significantly different than what we had in rural Oregon, I do believe that the experience is somewhat relevant. Education-wise I have a bachelor degree in civil engineering from the University of Arizona. I have a lot of positive experience serving on a number of different boards and committees, including a couple of homeowners associations, a hospital board, a continuing care advisory board and boards of several joint venture companies before I retired.

I believe the top issue facing the Transportation Commission is prioritizing the projects within the constraints of limited budget. And also addressing the challenges brought around by the growth of Scottsdale and particularly the increasing population density. My approach to the assignment if I were appointed to the commission would be to educate myself on the transportation master plan, as well as the current priorities, constraints and budget issues. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Mr. Hawkins. Are there any questions? Thank you. Scott Hermanson.

[Time: 00:44:00]

Scott Hermanson: Thank you, Councilmembers. My name is Scott Hermanson I live at 6057 North 79<sup>th</sup> Street and I have lived there for the past 12 years.

I would like to serve on this commission because Scottsdale has been very good to me. It's been an enjoyable experience having moved here 12 years ago and it's been beneficial to myself and my family, and I would like to give back to the city.

I am what can be best described as a passionate amateur about transportation. I have considered these issues since I was a young man, shortly after I graduated from college. I have a degree in literary studies and yet even with that degree, I have managed to work into urban transportation and urban issues, even at that stage of my career.

I believe that the issues facing Scottsdale looking towards the future are to continue to see that Scottsdale provides a multimodal ecology for transportation, as mentioned previously. There's an immense change in the density of Scottsdale and I believe that is going to be handled by increasingly providing different modes of transportation and different abilities for people to move around. I certainly think there are probably much more short-term issues that need to be addressed and I imagine there are points ever congestion within the city that would need to be determined in those respects, but I believe that the future holds for that idea of increasing the resilience of a multimodal ecology for the city of Scottsdale. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you Mr. Hermanson. Are there any questions. Thank you. Renee Higgs.

[Time: 00:45:54]

Renee Higgs: Good afternoon, Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Councilmembers. My name is Renee Higgs. I live at 16614 North 105<sup>th</sup> Way, Scottsdale and I lived in Scottsdale for four and a half years.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, we can expect an average of 2200 new Scottsdale residents a year for the next 30 years. This means more cars, bikes and pedestrians on our roadways, but not necessarily more space for them to travel. As a Scottsdale resident employee and SUSD parent, I have a vested interest in vehicle and cycle safety. I can assure you that I would consistently approach both short and long-term transportation infrastructure options with this passion while keeping Scottsdale, Scottsdale's brand and reputation in mind.

As for experience, one, I'm an active and engaged Scottsdale resident. I serve on three Scottsdale leadership committees. I'm a member of the chamber's economic development advisory council and I volunteer frequently at local high school athletic events. Two, as the regional marketing manager for Mayo Clinic in the southwest, I'm involved with local market research and medical tourism planning. I need to ensure that visiting patients from all 50 states and over 60 countries have the necessary way finding tools such as visible street signage and public transportation options to be able to receive their medical care.

And I still believe improved public transportation systems is one of the top issues facing the commission. But we would need to better understand who would most likely take the public transportation. I think we would be surprised by the findings. Let's take millennials, for example. There are numerous studies that show this largest living generation actually prefers living and working in a city with public transportation options.

If I were to be elected to the Transportation Commission, the approach I would say is to first reach out to the community, to better understand their wants and needs pertaining to public transportation. I would also analyze projected impact of additional cars on the road over the next five to ten years and finally, I would work to identify options that can support those findings while also making sure to maintain the integrity of the Scottsdale brand. I would ask for your vote for a member of Transportation Commission.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you. Are there any questions? Thank you. Steven Rosenberg.

[Time: 00:48:28]

Steven Rosenberg: Mr. Mayor, members of council, I'm Steven Rosenberg. I live at 9160 E. Avenue. It's a senior residence facility. I have Parkinson's disease, and it makes it difficult to speak. I do get my point across.

I want to serve on the commission because I have been on the committee for three years, but it wasn't renewed. I think it should be renewed now.

My prior experience is serving on the Transportation Commission. I would like to fulfill my term.

I think the biggest issues facing the Transportation Commission in the city is the fact that we are growing to a fast degree and the needs of senior citizens are tremendously overlooked. We need to look at other needs of transportation that are not currently available, such as self-driving cars, et cetera. And I think that -- I think we need to bring this to the commission by our experience and my infirmity. Thank you very much. There are any questions?

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you Mr. Rosenberg. There are any questions? Thank you. Bernadette Smith.

[Time: 00:50:15]

Bernadette Smith: Good afternoon, Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers. My name is Bernadette Smith. I reside at 16464 North 103<sup>rd</sup> Place in Scottsdale. I have lived in Scottsdale for nearly 20 years now.

The reason that I want to serve on the Transportation Commission is because I really want to serve my community. This is something that I have realized in the past two years. It's something that's important to me and I realized what better way to do that than through transportation. That is something that affects people's daily lives, young and old, in every situation. We all have somewhere that we need to be almost every single day.

My experience with transportation started when I was a policy intern in the governor's office back in 2006. And I did research into how other states were handling their transportation issues and how their budgets would fit those issues.

I also use a lot of different modes of transportation myself. I had an opportunity to live in a big city, in Boston, where I used mass public transportation, and today I'm an avid car pooler. That's how I get to work. I use Uber and Lyft and all of those different forms of transportation. It's something that's very vital to the functioning of our city as well as to my life. I also had the opportunity to work with the Maricopa trail and park association. That's something that's important to me as an avid mountain biker.

In terms of the important issue that I think the commission will be facing is changing technology. We have Waymo in the southeast valley that is piloting self-driving cars and this is something that's only going to continue to happen in the future. In terms of how I would deal with, that I would listen. I would ask and I would do research around the best policies to determine something that fits Scottsdale.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you, Ms. Smith. Are there any questions? Thank you. And last, Mitzi Wilson.

[Time: 00:53:04]

Mitzi Wilson: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Thank you Mayor, thank you, City Council. My name is Mitzi Wilson, I reside at 2934 North 83<sup>rd</sup> Street, Scottsdale, 85251, I lived in Scottsdale for 18 years.

My experience is I'm an attorney and I'm a pharmacist. In terms of the -- my experience as it relates to the Transportation Commission is mainly focusing on serving on boards. I have been a compliance officer in corporate America for two decades. I have facilitated compliance committees that report up to governance boards. I served at the Franciscan renewal center on a committee on board governance and policy and procedure, and I -- I have -- sorry. I have taken and I have completed Scottsdale 101 classes. So I'm familiar with the city of Scottsdale governance.

And in terms of transportation, my personal experience, I have to rely on -- mainly on my own personal experience. I don't have any professional experience with regard to transportation. It's mainly my work has taken me to a variety of cities, midsized, small, large. I have taken the bus in Seattle. And I have ridden the light rail in Portland. I have walked in New York City. I have rented a bike in Vancouver, British Columbia to get around. So I'm familiar with various modes of getting around various cities.

I -- I'm originally from Albany, New York, and Albany, New York, has an excellent bus system. When I lived there, I did not own a car and I was in my younger days and I would take the bus everywhere. I relied on bus, bicycle and my feet to get me to the three jobs that I worked. CDTA, the bus transportation system there, Capital District Transit Authority, and they have recently won the best midsized bus transportation system in North America in 2017. I think their best case scenario for bus transportation. In terms of bus transportation and trolley transportation in the city of Scottsdale, I think we have done a decent job but I think there's room for improvement.

The number one issue facing the city of Scottsdale in terms of transportation is how to deal with the high density housing that has been put into downtown Scottsdale and south Scottsdale in terms of congestion and cars and residents that that high density housing will bring and I think some of the solutions are not to necessarily expand the road systems or widen the road systems. I think it's to create a more walkable and bikable city in south Scottsdale and downtown Scottsdale and I think there are a variety of ways to do that.

First, there can be -- I would -- I would -- I'm a proponent of protected bike systems where they have buffers in between the traffic and the bicyclists and -- in terms of this can be done on a temporary basis to test it, which is you put up the plastic buffers and you can test it until you see if that works and then you can invest in permanent buffers, as in concrete buffers or fixed buffers. Right now the bicycle system --

Vice Mayor Korte: Ms. Wilson, can you bring closure to your comments?

Mitzi Wilson: Sure. Sure. And right now the bicycle system is open to traffic and I think there's some safety issues there. There's a number of ways -- I'm a firm proponent of making a more walkable and bicycle friendly south Scottsdale to deal with the transportation issues that we face in terms of congestion and cars. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Korte: Thank you. Any questions for Ms. Wilson? Thank you.

[Time: 00:57:34]

Vice Mayor Korte: We have two vacancies and eight nominees. Each councilmember can vote twice. I would like to start with Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Thank you. I will vote for Scott Hermanson and Kent Lall.

Vice Mayor Korte: I would like to vote for Renee Higgs and Donald Anderson.

Mayor Lane: I would like to vote for Donald Anderson and Bernadette Smith.

Councilwoman Klapp: Donald Anderson and Steven Rosenberg.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Renee Higgs and Bernadette Smith.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Sam Hawkins and Scott Hermanson.

Councilman Phillips: Donald Anderson and Steven Rosenberg.

Vice Mayor Korte: So Mr. Anderson has been appointed to the Transportation Commission, and we have a four-way tie. So we will eliminate the names and vote for then Scott Hermanson, Renee Higgs, Steven Rosenberg and Bernadette Smith and we each get one vote and I will again start with councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Scott Hermanson.

Vice Mayor Korte: Renee Higgs.

Mayor Lane: Bernadette Smith.

Councilwoman Klapp: Steven Rosenberg.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Renee Higgs.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Scott Hermanson.

Councilman Phillips: Scott Hermanson.

Vice Mayor Korte: I believe it requires four votes. So now it comes down to Scott Hermanson and Renee Higgs. And we each get one vote and Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Scott Hermanson.

Vice Mayor Korte: Renee Higgs.

Mayor Lane: Renee Higgs.

Councilwoman Klapp: Renee Higgs.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Renee Higgs.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Scott Hermanson.

Councilman Phillips: Renee Higgs.

Vice Mayor Korte: And congratulations, Ms. Higgs, for being appointed to the Transportation Commission.

This concludes our interview and appointment process this afternoon. I would like to thank everyone sincerely that interviewed today and I would like to comment that I'm extremely impressed with all applicants that we continue to have for our boards and commissions. Please remember if you were not appointed tonight, your application will remain on file for one year for consideration at a future date if there are additional vacancies for that particular commission that you applied. The city of Scottsdale is very lucky to have such dedicated and talented individuals who are willing and ready to serve our city and for that, thank you to you all.

Mr. Mayor, I turn the meeting back to you.

[Time: 01:00:49]

Mayor Lane: Thank you very much Vice Mayor and very good meeting and certainly want to add my compliments to the caliber of folks who have applied and congratulations to all of those who were successful in joining us in helping to work our city in the best -- the most positive way. So thank you very much for your participation and with that, I will accept a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Klapp: Move to adjourn.

Vice Mayor Korte: Second.

Mayor Lane: The motion has been made and seconded. All of those in favor of adjournment, please say aye.

We are adjourned and we will start the regular meeting in just a couple of minutes.