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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:02]

Mayor Lane: Good afternoon, everyone. Nice to have you here with us today. It's approximately 4:00. We'll start our special meeting and I would like to call to order the September 21st, 2015, city council meeting. This is a special meeting. I will start with the roll call, please.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:17]

City Clerk City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Linda Milhaven.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Here.

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: Guy Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: David Smith.

Councilman Smith: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Acting City Manager Brian Biesemeyer.

Acting City Manager Brian Biesemeyer: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Bruce Washburn.

City Attorney Bruce Washburn: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols.

City Treasurer: Jeff Nichols: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: And the Clerk is present.

Mayor Lane: Thank you. The one and only item of business is the boards and commissions interview and appointment process and for purposes of that process, and that meeting, I will turn it over to the Vice Mayor, Linda Milhaven.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you, mayor. This afternoon, the city council will be nominating Scottsdale residents interested in serving on nine citizen advisory boards and commissions. I want to thank these individuals for their willingness to volunteer their time in service of this 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: Please share your name, address, and how long you have lived in Scottsdale. Why do you want to serve on this board or commission? How do your experiences, whether they be 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 three minutes or less. We have a timer by the screen to help you manage your time.

Following each nominee's response, I'll ask Council members if they have any questions.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

[Time: 00:01:43]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: So we will begin with the Board of Adjustment has the power to hear and decide on appeals from administrative decisions and variances from the provisions of the zoning requirements. Alex Roncancio's term expires September 4th. He is eligible for reappointment and has submitted an application. There is one vacancy and two nominees. We will begin with Dana Belknap.

Councilwoman Littlefield: What are we doing?

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Board of Adjustment.

Dana Belknap: Good evening, mayor and councilmembers, my name is Dana Belknap. My address is 11802 North 74th Place in Scottsdale. I'm roughly east of Scottsdale Road, south of Cactus and north of Cholla and I lived there for seven and a half years but I have been in the valley for 24 years. I applied to be on the Board of Adjustment because I want to serve meaningfully my city and this is one of the very few opportunities -- there are a few more but this is one of the very few opportunities where my work experience might actually be helpful in board service. I have been a practicing land use attorney for the last 24 years. I have been at Gallagher and Kennedy for roughly 21 of those years. I represent landowners, developers, a few municipalities, and in two instances state land department on a range of land use-related issues from development agreements to infrastructure, use permits, variances and anything in between.

I understand the role of the Board of Adjustment. I think I would make a good Board of Adjustment. I'm a neighbor. I want our neighborhoods to be places where we are all happy and we can all get along and I think the Board of Adjustment can sort of help in that role. I understand the role. I understand the time commitment involved and I would love the opportunity to serve.

Oh, the biggest issue. I don't think there are any really big issues facing the Board of Adjustment. I have read the minutes from the last couple of years and it seems like it's a fairly smooth-running board. The people on the board and the staff that serve the board do a good job with their factual analysis and review of the applications and the applications of the law. I think of all the boards this one seems to be working well. Thank you for your consideration and thank you, Councilmember Korte for nominating me. Do y'all have any questions?

[Time: 00:04:10]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions.

Dana Belknap: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Mr. Roncancio. Mr. Roncancio is not here. So we will proceed with the vote. And we'll start with Councilman Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Dana Belknap.

Councilman Smith: Dana Belknap.

Councilmember Korte: Dana Belknap.

Mayor Lane: Dana Belknap.

Councilwoman Klapp: Roncancio.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Roncancio.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Roncancio.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Ms. Belknap, you have been appointed. Thank you.

BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD OF APPEALS

[Time: 00:05:09]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Next is 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. Special Qualifications, none required by City Code, but members appointed to this board should be qualified by experience and training to decide on matters pertaining to construction. We have one vacancy and one nominee. Mr. Peaser.

Ed Peaser: Mayor, members of the council, my name is Ed Peaser. I live at 8413 East Rosewood Lane, Scottsdale. And I have resided there for 48 years. The reasons I would like to serve on the Building Advisory Board is so that I can use my background experience in construction, the building codes and my knowledge of the board to continue to serve the community. I retired from the city of Scottsdale last May after 31 years of service in the building department. However, as the deputy building official, I also served as secretary of the Building Advisory Board the last ten years that I worked for the city.

How do my experiences qualify me to serve the board? I worked in construction my entire life. I have international code council certifications in building, electrical, mechanical and plumbing. I'm a certified commercial construction inspector. I'm a certified building official. I have taught all the building code classes at Scottsdale community college for the last 21 years. As deputy building official, part of my responsibilities was to gather input, write the city amendments, and see the codes

and amendments through adoption. My position also required me to make presentations of the codes in the amendments through the building advisory board in the public forum, once the board gave their recommendation, to council for adoption, I wrote the council action to adopt the codes.

I think the top issue facing the board and the primary reason the board exists is to review, understand and recommend to council the adoption of the building and the fire codes and their amendments. Without this important process, staff would simply be bringing forth the codes and the amendments to council without hearing them in the public forum and receiving no input from the community.

Because of my background and experience, I believe I'm very qualified to any preparation made to the board, ask knowledgeable questions and make an educated vote on approval or rejection. That's it in a nut shell. Thank you very much for allowing me to apply for the position.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. There appear not to be any questions. Thank you, Mr. Peaser. We begin with Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Ed Peaser.

Councilmember Korte: Mr. Peaser.

Mayor Lane: Ed Peaser.

Councilwoman Klapp: Mr. Peaser.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Ed Peaser.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Mr. Peaser.

Councilman Phillips: Peaser.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. Mr. Peaser, congratulations.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

[Time: 00:08:25]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: The Development Review Board is next. It has one opening. The purpose of the Development Review Board is to maintain the quality of development in Scottsdale through review of architectural design and layout of proposed development plans for commercial development and preliminary plats for residential subdivisions. As specified in the Scottsdale City Code, the Development Review Board membership consists of a City Council member, a Planning Commission member, and five members of the public with professional experience in design, architecture or development. There is one vacancy and two nominees. And we'll begin with Mr. Doug Craig.

Doug Craig: Mr. Mayor and council thank you very much for the opportunity to come and speak to you today. My name is Doug Craig and I reside at 7319 East Oak Street here in Scottsdale. I would like to begin by saying you have two fabulous nominees for this position, with my colleague and friend Prescott. But I wanted to, I guess, speak on my behalf. I'm a registered landscape architect. I have been here -- I began my career here in the valley in 1982, and lived in Scottsdale for about eight years. And I moved to Colorado, where I began working for the company I currently work with, in 1995. I have returned back to the valley in 2011, where I lived here in Scottsdale for the last four and a half years.

As a recent member of the Scottsdale Leadership class 29, it was real important for me to return to the city and get involved and by joining the Development Review Board, it's, I think, just important for me as a citizen to do that. And as a land scape architect, land planner, I'm -- I feel like I bring a lot of insight and the balanced judgment that you would find in coming from that profession. I participated in the development review process here in Scottsdale as a consultant and understand that process very well. I also understand that the importance of the Development Review Board is to also look after the residents and make sure that the development that's occurring here in Scottsdale is both important for the residents now and the future residents.

You know, I believe that the top issue of the Development Review Board is to review the -- the rapid growth that's currently occurring here in Scottsdale and make sure that the residents, again, are being well represented but also understanding the owner rights and the development rights. So with that, I will thank you again for this opportunity.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. There do not appear to be any questions. Thank you, Mr. Craig. Prescott Smith.

[Time: 00:11:44]

Prescott Smith: Hello. My name is Prescott Smith and I live at 6371 East Weldon Avenue. I'm a native of south Scottsdale and have lived here my entire life. I'm here today because I greatly desire to represent our great city, and serve on the Development Review Board. I'm a recent graduate of Scottsdale leadership with Doug, and throughout my experiences there, became energized and getting more involved with my community.

I'm currently the director of community outreach and public affairs for technical solutions. It's my work there that really gives me a unique perspective that I feel would be a very valuable asset to the Development Review Board. I'm fortunate enough to work as a liaison between developers and the community to try to work together on keeping the lines of communication open, regarding new developments in Scottsdale. This communication normally starts early on in the city approval process and continues well after these approvals are reached. It is this work with the different communities of Scottsdale and the developers all over the city, that give me a diverse background in development, design and architecture.

It is my belief that the biggest issue that faces the board, as well as many other boards, is a differing

view of what Scottsdale is and what direction we are heading. It's a tough balance to keep our historical western character but keep up with new and modern trends regarding growth. I believe that with my background and knowledge of Scottsdale, that we can tackle these and many other issues that lead to responsible development that everyone in the city can be proud of. Thank you so much. If you have any questions.

[Time: 00:13:34]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions. Thank you, Mr. Smith. We will vote beginning with Councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Mr. Smith.

Mayor Lane: Prescott Smith.

Councilwoman Klapp: Prescott Smith.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Mr. Smith.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Doug Craig.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Smith.

Councilman Smith: Doug Craig.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Congratulations, Mr. Smith, you have been appointed to the Development Review Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD

[Time: 00:14:01]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Next is the Environmental Quality Advisory Board. We have two openings. The Environmental Quality Advisory Board provides guidance on the prioritization of future environmental activities and recommends environmental policies to the City Council. As specified in City Code, membership of the Board shall reflect both scientific professional background in engineering/planning or earth science and non-scientific interests representatives from the business community and community at large. Aliza Sabin is unable to attend today's meeting, but has asked the information from her application be used as her responses to the posed questions. There are two vacancies and four nominees. We will begin with Dane Englert.

Dane Englert: Thank you for the opportunity to serve. My name is Dane Englert. I reside on Monterosa Street here in Scottsdale. I just put an offer in on my house on Friday. I plan to stay for a while. The reasons that I want to serve on the board is I want to give back to my community. You

know, I want to make a difference. I think that can be done through policy, and I think it's also important to make these policy decisions based on science. I plan to do that with my experience and education. I have a bachelor's of science degree from Purdue University in natural resources in environmental science. I worked for five years in the industrial, hazardous waste industry, and I currently volunteer as a Scottsdale ambassador.

I think one of the top issues facing the environmental quality of Scottsdale is based on our location in the southwest is water quality and abundance and I think that tackling that issue is paramount to the life of -- the quality of life in Scottsdale. So I think one of the ways to do that is expanding the gray water usage in the city. So are there any questions?

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions. Thank you.

Dane Englert: Thank you.

[Time: 00:16:29]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Theodore Geisler. Steven Schlosser.

Steven Schlosser: Good afternoon, mayor and councilmembers. My name is Steve Schlosser. I live at 10793 East Bethany Drive in Scottsdale. And I have lived in the city for a grand total of 18 months. I'm interested in being on this committee because my grandchildren live here, and the world that they inherit will be dependent on some of the decisions that this committee makes. And when they grow up, I do not want to say I stood idly by while things went in a direction that may not be beneficial to their future. I have a background and master's degree and almost a Ph.D. in engineering, an MBA and I worked as a senior executive at Hewlett-Packard and then a vice president at Avnet where I was general manager for a microwave company and that brought me into the experience of dealing with hazardous materials, hence we had chemicals and materials that really not -- were not healthy for the general public.

I believe that -- and I have to applaud my predecessor at the microphone. I also agree that water management is going to be a key element and the development of a greater gray water use will be essential as time goes on and the city grows. I'm also very concerned about solid waste management. I live in an environment in which the dumps got filled. So there are many creative ways of looking at our garbage dumps as possible sources for materials beyond those that are recycled. And I would like to think that perhaps the city of Scottsdale could envision looking at some of those things. Then finally, there are, again, one of the key elements in the plan was greater use of solar. And I believe that there are opportunities for us to reduce our overall energy footprint in small and simple ways that will allow our environment to continue to be as clean and neat as it is here. So these are the reasons I'm interested in joining the commission. I appreciate your time this afternoon. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you.

Steven Schlosser: Any questions?

[Time: 00:19:06]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Does not appear to be any questions. Thank you, Mr. Schlosser. They are two vacancies. We will begin with the Mayor. Each can vote for two nominees.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Aliza Sabin and Steven Schlosser.

Councilwoman Klapp: Dane Englert and Steve Schlosser.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: I will vote for Dane Englert and Ms. Schlosser.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Steven Schlosser and Aliza Sabin.

Councilman Phillips: Steve Schlosser and Englert.

Councilman Smith: Dane Englert and Aliza Sabin.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: It looks like Mr. Schlosser is appointed and we have to vote for the other position. This time we begin with Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Dane Englert.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Englert.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Aliza Sabin.

Councilman Phillips: Englert.

Councilman Smith: Sabin.

Councilmember Korte: Dane Englert

Mayor Lane: Aliza Sabin

Vice Mayor Milhaven: It looks like we have appointed Dane Englert. Congratulations.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

[Time: 00:20:35]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Human Relations Commission. The Scottsdale Human Relations Commission will advocate and promote all dimensions of diversity. The commission will act as an advisory body

to the mayor, city council and staff and to make recommendations on ways to encourage mutual respect and understanding among people, to discourage prejudice and discrimination, and to work towards cultural awareness and unity. The commission may also make recommendations as to special events which will further its purpose. Allen Reed and Janice Eng have withdrawn their applications. So we have two vacancies and two nominees. Joseph Ettinger.

Joseph Ettinger: Good afternoon, Mr. Mayor, members of the council. My name is Joseph Ettinger, e-t-t-i-n-g-e-r. I live on North 109th Place in Scottsdale. I lived in Scottsdale about 15 years, having come here from Chicago and I certainly will use that as a credential. While I was in Chicago, I was a member of the Chicago commission on human relations and a chair of the subcommittee on corrections. I had a practice in Chicago, as well as teaching full-time at a law school in Chicago, and during the course of my time, I did many civil rights cases and happily, I put my name on some important landmark decisions in the law of human relations and constitutional law. As I said, I taught at one of the law schools, and my subject there was constitutional law. I have for the last five years been working at A.S.U. law school where I did a project there, again in law. And five years ago I started to work at Tulane University as a visiting faculty member there, and instituting a new program on skills training. One of the first of its kind in the country. And back in May, Tulane law school, based upon my experience and my credentials saw fit to name an award at the university law school for me, based on the skills training and the ability to litigate by one of the students there, voted by the faculty.

I believe that the experience that I have had and the training that I have had, entitles me to make comments on the way that the law has gone. I have think that the council in the unity pledge that they instituted sometime back, is a very bold step. I do think, however, that the information you see in the papers daily about what the controversies are in the country, and we are going to have a lot of -- I think media-driven questions that come up with regards to civil rights and diversity, equal rights an equal protection. I think based open the fact that I have done all of this work, that I can be an asset to the commission and I believe that if you have any questions, I would be able to take them right down.

[Time: 00:24:02]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions. Thank you, sir. Daria Lohman.

Daria Lohman: Mayor and councilmembers, my name is Daria Lohman. I live at Lupine Avenue. I would like to serve on the board because I believe in diversity. We come from different backgrounds and experiences and it seems like little -- a lot of that in the news lately. I think that the better we can all work together, we're all members of the human race. The greater we can work together the healthier and happier Scottsdale will be overall and the less likely to see any incidents that we have seen. I believe Scottsdale is a beautiful mace to live and I just want to continue to see it do that.

While my background is in engineering, I worked with different race, different color, and different religious preferences and the whole idea of creating a good product is we all work together. We don't have time to say I won't work with that person or that person for whatever reason. I think I

have also lived in many areas of the country. I mean I grew up -- my father was Air Force. I moved all over the country. I have been in the Army. I have been overseas and I have seen a lot of different things and I think it gives me a perspective on the idea of diversity and how we can all better work together that we all love the same things in life, and have a health you, happy place to raise our families and kids. I'm getting ready to retire soon, and I'm looking forward to and I need to keep busy. I lived in Scottsdale for 15 years now and this is where I will be.

And I think the -- one of the issues, I guess -- you know, I think the Human Relations Commission has been doing a very good job. I have been following their activities for a number of years. One of the things I would like to start seeing is more interaction between Scottsdale human relations groups and bringing together different diverse groups. To have different perspectives and try to get a dialogue and a discourse because I think that's the basic problem is too often, there's the other -- this' not much communication in many cases and I think that can be a very preventative nature and think, as I mentioned in the email I sent all of you recently, the idea of police -- some police patrolmen discuss -- have a dialogue with some of the people of color, the communities of Latino and African-Americans that was open to the public to come in and listen to see the interaction that goes to much better way of ensuring that everybody is working together and there's clearer understanding. And I think -- I don't think there is any problem but this would be a good way of looking at things.

So basically, I just want to see us all work together and I think the human relations issue is great for that. Are there any questions?

[Time: 00:27:13]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions. There are two openings. We can vote for two nominees. I will start this time. Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Councilman Phillips: I missed this we have three names.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Janice Eng was nominated for two commissions and the --

Councilman Phillips: So no vote, thank you.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: No vote. Okay.

Councilman Smith: Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Councilmember Korte: Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Mayor Lane: Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Councilwoman Klapp: Joseph Ettinger and Daria Lohman.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Congratulations Mr. Ettinger and Ms. Lohman, you have been appointed to the Human Relations Commission.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

[Time: 00:28:05]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Next we have the Human Services Commission. The Human Services Commission is a seven member citizen advisory committee appointed by the City Council to provide advisory recommendations to the staff and City Council on human services priorities and programs. The Commission also reviews and suggests funding allocations for Scottsdale Cares, Community Development Block Grants, HOME, Human Services Emergency and General Funds. Marty Day's term expires September 4, 2015, and she is eligible for reappointment and submitted an application. There are two vacancies and three nominees. We will begin with Mr. Denny Brown.

Denny Brown: Hi.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Hi.

Denny Brown: My name is Denny Brown. I moved here in 1987 and have been at 8140 East Elm Drive since 1996. You know, in 2005, I left a job I loved. I loved Firebird Raceway. I was a sales manager but my family needed me, my kids needed me. So I quit my job, found part-time work and got my kids to and from school. Well, the school got to know me. I got a call one day. Hey, Denny, would you give us a hand on the PTA. Well, sure. What do you need? We want you to be president. Well, having never been to a PTA meeting, I thought that's unique, so I will give it a shot. I ran and got elected and served four years of the PTA. I started out, it was a pretty tough school at the time, and when I left it was a much better place. When I left, there somebody said Denny, you should run for school board and I ran for school board and got elected. Three of those four years I was vice president of school board. Great experience.

I should mention that during this time, I did work. I was a chaplain at Shepard of the hills for six and a half years. I learned you have got to listen. If you don't listen to folks, you won't be successful, I don't care what you are doing. I learned that creative thinking is key. You've got to get outside of the box. Creative answers for difficult situations and you learned about budgets. I learned about budgets open the score board but I made hard decisions and own up to them.

So I'm here today. Why am I here today? I'm here because I listened. I listened and I heard the number 6400. 6400 kids on free and reduced lunch. That was the last year I served. It's up to 7200 now! 7200 kids on free and reduced lunch! How many parents, how many grandparents are affected by a need in Scottsdale, Arizona? Well, I'm here to help. I'm here to help and I want to help my city. I want to help my city find, fund and support credible agencies that are willing to step up and support families in need in Scottsdale, Arizona. Thank you. Any questions?

Vice Mayor Milhaven: There do not appear to be any questions. Thank you.

Denny Brown: Thank you.

[Time: 00:31:04]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Marty Day.

Marty Day: My name is Marty Day. I live at 8325 East Shetland Trail Scottsdale. We have lived here for going on 21 years now. I served on Human Services Commission for the last three years, and I would like to continue serving on the commission for the next three years. I found that it's both rewarding and challenging. Rewarding because we are able to allocate funds to nonprofits that are in great need. Challenging because we never have enough funds to allocate to all of the requests that come in.

I believe that the top issue is funding. And my suggestion is that maybe we market what Scottsdale care does and what they do and where the donation goes to. I don't think a lot of people realize the need. And I believe that this commission is part of the community and I think that's what makes it so important, to keep it. Thank you. Any questions?

[Time: 00:32:29]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Do not appear to be any questions. Janice Eng.

Janice Eng: Good afternoon, Mr. Mayor and councilmembers. Let's see, my name is Janice Eng and I reside at 13051 North 145th Way in Scottsdale which is way out east by Mayo clinic. I have been a resident of Arizona in Scottsdale for the past five years and ended up moving here voluntarily from the crazy city of San Francisco.

One of the reasons why I'm very interested in this commission is because it has such far reaching impacts, and it really deals with people that have fallen through the cracks. And it's not as obvious here as it was in San Francisco, where you walk around any corner and you see those people that have fallen through the cracks that are in dire need and sometimes don't know where to go or don't even want to go for help, but here they are sort of hidden. And I think that this commission has done phenomenal things, and one of the things -- and I -- before I forget, what Marty said I agree with.

I'm skipping to the last one, about the Scottsdale cares. I really didn't know anything about it to be honest with you until I started researching this and oh, my gosh, there's so many things that we should be doing to really get that message out. It's only \$1! But every time I look at that bill, I really don't -- it just says donate. Well, everybody is always asking me to donate. I have think we can do a better job to get the word out to somebody, that is so minimal and will do so much good.

I came out of the corporate world. So I have managed multimillion dollars budgets, but I have also worked in and run not-for-profit organizations where you have to really understand what your

priorities are. You have to understand, you know, how you are going to allocate the few monies that you have, you know, and to the priorities. I was a -- an appointed commissioner with the state of California on the parole board and I had to deal with life inmates. You wonder what has that got to do with anything. It was very humbling. I found they are people too. Even though they are in prison for life, there were so many things that I found that I could do to speak to these people to see how they can turn their lives around and take -- you know, study programs to see how they can help to deter other people from ending up where they are. I was also on the community courts in the city of San Francisco, where we dealt with mitigating people that were arrested for misdemeanor charges within our community. And they would have to stand before us and we would then try to explain to them what they had done that harmed everyone in our community. And -- and then provide services for them.

So that's pretty much it. I'm trying to remember what else I have done. A lot of different things and project homeless connect as well, that famous program that we had in San Francisco dealing with all the homeless. I would like to serve. Thank you.

[Time: 00:36:05]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. We'll vote and begin -- there are two openings so each of cuss vote for two nominees. Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Very difficult. Marty Day and Janice Eng.

Councilman Phillips: Marty Day and Janice Eng.

Councilman Smith: Marty Day and Denny Brown.

Councilmember Korte: Marty Day and Denny Brown.

Mayor Lane: Marty Day and Janice Eng.

Councilwoman Klapp: Marty Day and Janice Eng.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Marty Day and Janice Eng. So Marty Day has been reappointed and Janice Eng.

LOSS TRUST FUND

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Next the Loss Trust Fund Board. There's one opening. The Loss Trust Fund Board is responsible for recommendations to the City Council regarding the administration of the loss trust fund. We have no applicants. The one applicant has withdrawn his applicant.

MCDOWELL SONORAN PRESERVE COMMISSION

[Time: 00:37:03]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: So we move on to McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission. The Commission, with the assistance of city staff, makes recommendations to the City Council on such items as: preservation strategy, funding, land acquisition, educational/promotional programs, master planning and other Preserve-related issues. Cassandra Jonkosky has withdrawn her application. There is one vacancy and two nominees. Mr. Perry Becker.

Perry Becker: Good afternoon, Mayor Lane and members of the city council. My name is Perry Becker. I live on East Doubletree Ranch road in the beautiful Paradise Heights neighborhood. I have been a resident of Scottsdale for the last 23 years. My desire to serve on the McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission is directly related. I have a great love for the Sonoran desert and strongly believe that the McDowell Sonoran preserve is one of the Scottsdale's greatest achievements and will become a defining legacy for our city in the years to come. My wife, sandy and I, use and enjoy the Preserve on a weekly basis, and it's a constant source of civic pride for both of us. I believe that Scottsdale is one of the best places in the world to live and I would like to give back to the community and contribute to the great legacy of the preserve.

I'm an A.S.U. graduate, and a LEED accredited licensed architect with a lifelong commitment to sustainability, environmental preservation. I have extensive professional experience with the LEEDS rating system which is adopted by the standard -- as the standard for the city of Scottsdale. And I have built my own house under the Scottsdale green building program. I have had a lifelong interest in native -- of desert plants and have been a long-time member of desert botanical garden. Our home was featured open many tours and magazines. I also have a great interest in all desert creatures and we share our yard with an adopted cute desert tortoise named Tony Tortellini. I have professional experience working closely with municipal departments, consultants and community stakeholders in the trail head, equestrian and park amenities as a design team member for Buckeye's Desert Skyland regional park located in the white tank mountains.

I think that the top issue that will be facing the commission will be the future development of facilities in the Preserve, along with the Desert Discovery Center. My approach to this issue would be mindful of the primary mission of conservation for the McDowell Sonoran preserve, as well as sustainability and the financial sustainability of the preserve as well. And keeping an open mind to all the stakeholders in this incredible facility. I thank you very much for your consideration of me for this commission.

[Time: 00:40:32]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Any questions? Thank you, sir. Cynthia Wenstrom.

Cynthia Wenstrom: Good afternoon Mayor Lane and Vice Mayor, Milhaven. I'm Cynthia Wenstrom. I have been 40 years in the valley. My interest began through a water bill. I would be proud to represent our city and the one-third land mass that we call McDowell Sonoran preserve. I'm a lifelong, truly, outdoor person. If I had my choice, I would have hiking boots on today. At age

4, we started camping every year with my family. That continued into Girl Scouts, years and years and years have gone by but today, I believe in preservation. And I'm a proud member of the McDowell Sonoran Preserve as a steward and active member of Grand Canyon Association as well as a member of the Botanical Garden. I have a variety of outdoor activities that I enjoy, but more importantly, in addition to what I just mentioned, the skills that qualify me for this position are my MBA, watching the bottom line and maintaining the mission and the purpose of an organization are critical.

As a former project manager for a large corporation, preventing scope creep is critical. We want to know exactly where we need to go and make sure that we are watching the welfare of our project, the organization and, of course, the bottom line. Now, as a nonprofit fund-raiser, I have a true wise sense of prioritizing and spending wisely, engaging with our constituents, donors and honoring gifts that they have given to us.

The top issue I believe facing our Preserve and this commission, I waver between protecting the land and the natural inhabitants and then also maintaining fiscally through funding both of those seem to work hand in hand in my opinion. There was a time when our residents were saying no more taxes without access. But we have done a great job with that, with 145 miles, plus, of trails in our Preserve. That's been accomplished through careful stewardship. I see that continuing through our volunteers, through the preserve staff, and through city staff. Funding is critical to keep our one of a kind investment and jewel that we have here in Scottsdale that's looked at as a model through other cities' eyes. As a nonprofit, the McDowell Sonoran Preserve looks upon its constituents to oversee and do all the heavy lifting. This effort has maintained the Preserve very well, and I expect it to continue in the future. Again, I would be proud to represent this commission and I thank you for your consideration.

[Time: 00:43:42]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. Any questions? All righty. So we will vote. There's one opening. So each member will vote once. We will begin with Councilman Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Wenstrom.

Councilman Smith: Cynthia Wenstrom.

Councilmember Korte: Cynthia Wenstrom.

Mayor Lane: Perry Becker.

Councilwoman Klapp: Cynthia Wenstrom.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Cynthia Wenstrom.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Perry Becker.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Congratulations Ms. Wenstrom, you have been appointed to the preserve commission.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

[Time: 00:44:11]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Parks and Recreation Commission is next with two openings. The Parks and Recreation Commission is a citizen advisory committee that advises the City Council on the acquisition of lands and facilities for use as parks or recreation centers; the Parks and Recreation Commission also advises on the operation, use, care and maintenance of parks and recreation areas. Virginia Harris' term expires in September. She is eligible for reappointment and submitted an application. Tom Gagen has withdrawn his application. And Miguel Medrano is unable to attend today's meeting but has provided his written responses. So we have two vacancies and three nominees and we will begin with Virginia Harris.

Virginia Harris: Good evening mayor and council. I live at 7209 East McDonald drive, right across from Hilton Village. I have lived in the valley, I first moved here in 1979. I left in '85, but always kept property here and in 1997, after having lived in New York, St. Louis, San Francisco, Philadelphia, I decided that this is where I like best. So I came back to Scottsdale. I am a daily regular at Chaparral park where I walk my dog and then my dog walks me. So we can be seen every day in Chaparral. We love it. I have a 30-year career in corporate retail and then ten years at the Heard Museum. So I have both profit and nonprofit experience.

I came before you three years ago. I had attended a Parks and Recreation committee meeting on with the dog park as the subject and I walked away thinking this would be fun, and it would be a great way to serve our community. I was both surprised and pleased when I was appointed. It didn't take me very long to know what I didn't know. But I come before you today, saying it's been a wonderful three years. I now have learned about ballpark lighting, aquatic systems adaptive recreation, youth field sports allocation and the latest, pickle ball. TPC, Giant Stadium, I have visited most of our community and neighborhood parks. I have the honor of representing the commission of the Doc Cavaliere project which was not only fun, it was fabulous! I have helped man the dunk tank at Mud Mania and I judged costumes at El Dorado holiday.

I think the biggest challenge for our commission is how we maintain and update our aging infrastructure. We have wonderful parks, but they need help. And at the same time, we need to look at our programs and we have to make sure that we are expanding them and listening to the changing demographics of our community. So in my mind, that is the biggest challenge.

I would love the opportunity to serve three more years. I feel that my experience now allows me to contribute at a much higher level. I thank you for the three years and I hope to have three more. Thanks.

[Time: 00:47:19]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. Miguel Medrano is not able to attend. Christopher Thuman.

Christopher Thuman: Thank you for the nomination. My name is Dr. Chris Thuman. I'm the director of online learning for Scottsdale School District. I have been a ten-year member coming from Chicago. I live at 8333 East Cambridge Avenue. We have lived there for three years and then previous to that, we also owned a home a few blocks from that location. My wife is a native. So I have native blood in my household.

My experience is I have been in education my whole career. This is my 16th year in public education. After graduating from Michigan State, I worked in Chicago public schools for five and a half years, and then moved down here in 2005 and I have been with Scottsdale schools ever since. My main job in Scottsdale is to oversee community education as part of my title, which is your before and after school programs, early childhood programs, summer, nights, weekends and even adult ed. We work very closely with Bill Murphy and the city staff and with the I. G.A. and our partnerships we have been growing very, very successfully over the last few years. We have been privileged to write and be awarded the 21st century after-school grant, which is a five-year grant that we're using in 10 of our Title 1 stores, many of which the parks and recs programs have been at. We have been able to see some great growth in those programs.

Moving forward, I think the biggest issues for the parks and recs. I would echo what Virginia has said, is the facilities. Using the parks frequently, the dog park especially but also using Chaparral parks and the parks down by me, Hohokam, the infrastructure is something that we will have to keep on, no different than a school district. The same conversation we are having with our infrastructure after time, we need to update it. The same conversations we are having there. It's the same conversations I think you guys will be having here. And as we move forward with the bond and trying to allocate funds for, it I think that it's -- it's a good priority for the city to have.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve on the board, and the commission, and if you have any questions, let me know.

[Time: 00:49:57]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. All right. There are two openings. We'll start -- and so each member can vote twice. We will begin with Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Virginia Harris and Chris Thuman.

Councilmember Korte: Virginia Harris and Christopher Thuman.

Mayor Lane: Virginia Harris and Chris Thuman.

Councilwoman Klapp: Virginia Harris and Miguel Medrano.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Virginia Harris and Christopher Thuman.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Virginia Harris and Miguel Medrano.

Councilman Phillips: Harris and Medrano.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Congratulations Ms. Harris, you have been reappointed and Mr. Thuman, you have been appointed to the other opening.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

[Time: 00:50:39]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Next is Transportation Commission. The Transportation Commission advises the City Council on matters relating to the safe and efficient movement of vehicles, transit, pedestrians, and bicycles. David Vaughn is unable to attend today but submitted his answers in writing. There is one vacancy and three nominees. We will begin with Pamela Iacovo.

Pamela Iacovo: Thank you, mayor, thank you, council for this opportunity. It's nice to see that my vote matters in this selection of the folks that are sitting before me today. My name is Pamela Iacovo, I live on Gold Dust Avenue in Scottsdale, Arizona. I lived there for 13 years. What brought me to Scottsdale is the temperature in Minnesota. We quit our jobs and sold our house and everything in it and came to Scottsdale with no jobs and we are happy to say we never looked back.

Why do I want to serve on the Transportation Commission? I think that one of the important things is we are a demographic community. We have balanced demographics. They live in my home own East Gold Dust. My husband is a veteran and I'm a bloomer. I have children in their 30s, 20s and teens and I have two graduates from Desert Mountain High School. My family thinks I would be great for this position. Mostly because of my background. So my background is in hospitality, economic development, chamber of commerce, and engineering, planning and now I work for construction, which is a Scottsdale-based company to bill things that are mostly multimodal in nature.

How my experience relates, I'm also a volunteer members of the Arizona Transit Association. My experience relates because they relate to the chamber and the city's mission to provide a quality of life that is second to none, as far as I'm concerned in Scottsdale which is what brought me here.

The biggest challenge I see for the Transportation Commission is finding the funding solutions that can address all the modes of transportation that are related to all of our demographics which include those that are interested to aging in place, to the teenaged drivers to bicyclists and transit riders. And how to provide that funding. The approach that I would take is there are options there for private funding, but it's not a transportation solution in and of itself. It will require the integration of all of the commissions, everything that the city council is here to do, to find the answer. Thank you.

[Time: 00:53:39]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. Jyme McLaren. And I'm sure I got that wrong.

Jyme Sue McLaren: My name is Jyme Sue McLaren. It's an odd spelling. I reside at East Corinne Road and I have been a resident for the city of Scottsdale for 24 years consecutively and on and off for the last 30. I'm here to express my strong interest on serving for the Transportation Commission. I'm a long standing resident having move to the city of Scottsdale in 1985, straight from college after accepting a job with the city of Scottsdale working at the one stop shop. During my tenure at the city of Scottsdale I gained a strong appreciation for the high quality of standards that the city of Scottsdale holds in the areas of preservation of open space, parks and trail system, the high quality of service that you provide your residents in terms of public services, the vast parks and recreation programs that are available to your citizens, as well as the high quality of standards of development within this community. It was then that I decided to make Scottsdale my home.

As a transportation planner -- as a transportation professional with over 30 years of experience, I worked in a vast variety of capacities in the area of transportation and land use planning. I have managed roadway, bicycle, pedestrian and transit projects over the years. My experiences include everything from early stages of project development, and project planning through final design and construction. In my early years as -- in my career, working for Valley Metro, I was -- I had the opportunity to develop transportation plans and programs, which entailed working with the community, to develop and prioritize long-term transportation infrastructure, and develop cost assessments and funding options for the implementations of those programs. In my current capacity as chief of staff for Valley Metro, I managed two governing boards for which councilmember Klapp represents the city of Scottsdale on.

Through all of this experience, I have gained a vast understanding for the importance of building and sustaining a balanced transportation network, where each and every mode works in concert with one another. The cost and the return on investment for various transportation infrastructure, the challenges and opportunities in advancing a multimodal transportation network, and the importance of community engagement to better understanding the needs and the priorities the community. I believe these experiences can serve as a value to the Transportation Commission and the city of Scottsdale in evaluating transportation issues in this community.

I will leave you with one final comment. Tremendous growth is expected in the Phoenix region over the next two decades. You as policymakers will have to make difficult decisions regarding how this community will look and grow in the future. The future growth will be heavily dependent upon our ability to accommodate the necessary transportation options for the community. Building a community that can move from one place to another, by car, bike, walking or public transit will be essential in maintaining a high quality of life that I and others that live in this beautiful community have come to respect. For these reasons I'm asking to serve on the Transportation Commission. Thank you.

[Time: 00:57:05]

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Thank you. There's one opening and I believe we will start with Councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: I vote for Jyme McLaren.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Pamela Iacovo. I don't know if I got that correct. Iacovo. Thank you.

Councilwoman Klapp: Pamela Iacovo.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: McLaren.

Councilwoman Littlefield: David Vaughn.

Councilman Phillips: McLaren.

Councilman Smith: Pamela Iacovo. Pamela anyway.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: All righty. So we have no appointments. We will narrow it down to Pamela and Jyme. And we will vote again. This time we start with the mayor.

Mayor Lane: Pamela Iacovo.

Councilwoman Klapp: Pamela Iacovo.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Ms. McLaren.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Jyme McLaren.

Councilman Phillips: McLaren.

Councilman Smith: Pamela Iacovo.

Councilmember Korte: Ms. McLaren.

Vice Mayor Milhaven: Congratulations, Ms. McLaren you have been nominated to the Transportation Commission. Thank you to everyone who participated.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:58:32]

Mayor Lane: This concludes our business. I would ask for a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Klapp: Move to adjourn.

Mayor Lane: All those in favor of adjournment, please indicate by aye. Thank you for all the applicants would put in their time to apply for those positions. And congratulations to those who were appointed. With that, unless there's any desire to take a break, I think I will go ahead and continue on to our regular meeting. Hearing no objection to that course of action.