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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:00]

Mayor Lane: Good afternoon, everyone. Nice to have you here. It is about 4:00. It's our special meeting of February 21st, 2017. I would like to call this meeting to order. We'll start with a roll call, please.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:15]

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Thank you your Honor. Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Suzanne Klapp.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Here.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Kathy Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Present.

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: And the Clerk is present.

[Time: 00:00:46]

Mayor Lane: Thank you.

This special meeting is for one item only and it's for the boards, commissions interviews and for that purpose, I will turn it over to our Vice Mayor. Vice Mayor Klapp.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you, Mayor. This afternoon, the City Council will be appointing Scottsdale residents interested in serving on citizen advisory boards and commissions. I want to thank everyone for their willingness to volunteer. We appreciate the amount of time you have offered to us.

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: 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 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. Following each nominee's response, I'll ask Council members if they have any questions. So you will have an opportunity to answer something from the council if they so desire.

BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD OF APPEALS

[Time: 00:01:54]

Vice Mayor Klapp: We begin with the Building Advisory Board of Appeals. The Building Advisory Board of Appeals has the authority to recommend that minor variances of the Building Code be granted and alternative construction methods be allowed. There are no specific requirements by city code. However, members should be qualified by experience and training to decide on matters pertaining to building construction.

There's one vacancy and one nominee. The nominee is Barbara Truelick. So Barbara, if you would come to the podium. Okay. We do not have Barbara here. We will still be able to vote. We have one nominee and once vacancy. Each councilmember can vote once. So with Councilwoman Littlefield, it's not hard. Wherever you are, please start. Please start, Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Barbara Truelick.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Barbara Truelick.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Barbara Truelick.

Mayor Lane: Barbara Truelick.

Councilmember Korte: Barbara Truelick.

Councilman Smith: And Barbara Truelick.

Councilman Phillips: And Barbara Truelick.

Vice Mayor Klapp: It's unanimous. Barbara Truelick has been voted to the Building Advisory Board of appeals.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

[Time: 00:03:10]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is 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 plans for residential subdivisions. As specified in the

Scottsdale City Code, the DRB membership consists of a City Council member, a Planning Commission member and five public members, three of whom shall be architects, environmental scientists, landscape architects or persons otherwise qualified by design background, training, or experience; and two of whom shall be land developers, builders, or contractors.

There are only four nominees now. I was told a while ago that Lisa Collins as withdrew her name for the Development Review Board. So we have four people who will be talking with us this evening. We will start with Tammy Caputi if she would like to come to the podium.

Applicant Tammy Caputi: Good afternoon Mayor Lane and councilmembers, it's a pleasure to be here. My name is Tammy Caputi, I lived in Scottsdale for 20 years. I want to serve on the Development Review Board because I'm interested in public service and ready to give back to my community with both my time and experience. I own and operate a business in the construction industry in Scottsdale and I have three children in our public schools. I'm a Scottsdale homeowner and taxpayer. I'm vested in this city and I feel passionately about keeping it special while moving it forward. I have considerable experience dealing with contractors, architects and engineers, but I do not have a development agenda. I have no preconceived ideas about issues that might come before this board. I would approach my duties in a way that would keep the interests of the whole city in mind, while being open minded and unbiased about any proposals.

I have a working knowledge of design and construction. I spent the last 16 years providing electrical supplies for large construction projects all over the valley, a short list of which I put up on the overhead. I work with all the stakeholders on a project. I understand how to balance needs and solve -- provide solutions for everyone involved in a project. As a Scottsdale citizen, I have an interest in maintaining the quality of our community, which would include good planning and aesthetics.

I have a B.A. in economics and a master's in business administration. I'm active in the Scottsdale chamber of commerce and my children's schools and in my synagogue. I spent the last year running for the Arizona House of Representatives, which allowed me the opportunity to interact with citizens from all over our city, and I believe I can be a fair voice for all of our residents.

I feel the top concern of the development review board should always be assuring projects that come before the city council would enhance Scottsdale as a whole. I believe the goal is to understand the projects, evaluate them in light of city codes and exercise good faith in making decisions without bias or prejudice. Scottsdale is a unique community with high growth trends. In order to sustain with our tourism and our quality of life, the development review board could play an important role in keeping an eye on the quality of our architecture, not just the quantity. We need controlled, thoughtful growth and open minded solutions for the benefit of all.

I believe I bring a unique skill set which would be an asset to this citizen as both a concerned citizen and someone experienced in the design and building process. I have spent the last 16 years lighting up this valley and I want to help light up Scottsdale. I'm honored to be considered to serve. Thank you for your time.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Are there any questions? Thank you. Next is Doug Craig. Okay it appears Doug is not here. Next would be Shakir Gushgari.

[Time: 00:07:43]

Applicant Shakir Gushgari: Honorable Mayor Lane, Councilmembers, good afternoon. My name is Shakir Gushgari. I live in Scottsdale. I lived at that address since 1993. I'm a professional civil engineer. In 1997, shortly after I got my doctorate degree, I wanted to pursue my dream of establishing my own business, which I did, as consulting engineers. At that point in my life, I wanted to pursue my business in one of three cities, Scottsdale, Austin and Henderson. I have elected to choose Scottsdale back then, and I'm proud I did. One of the prime motives of selecting Scottsdale is the environment that I lived in many, many years prior to that. We have a reputation, we have an ambience that I could not leave behind me. That was really truly the motive behind my decision or one of the main motives.

Those qualities I do happen to know back then as I do today, did not happen by accident. It happened by leadership. It happens by hard work and foresight for those people before us who put us on the map. These qualities, in my opinion, must be protected. Not only protected but also enhanced upon to make it a little bit better than what it was. A few years ago, when the city of Scottsdale updated its storm floodplain management, I was fortunate to be a member of the review process, from the outside management company. I have an idea of what the floodplain management is. And I was working in the city corporate limits since 1987.

For the last 30 years, I have dealt with ordinances and manuals firsthand experience in Scottsdale. The development review board is the body that is at the forefront of these issues. And perhaps to improve upon our communities, those standards could be developing the development as opposed to forcing the development, while maintaining our vision and our quality, uncompromised. In 20 years ago, quite frankly, I would love nothing more than driving around the city and see all of this beautiful development that is within the quality and be proud to say I was a positive force or influence to make those things happen even within our community. And quite frankly, I'm privileged to be here today to give you my vision and foresight into those issues. Thank you so very much.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you, sir. Tell me again how you pronounce your last name.

Applicant Shakir Gushgari: Gushgari. It rhymes with the world rush and Gary.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Are there any questions? Thank you, sir.

Applicant Shakir Gushgari: Thank you very much.

[Time: 00:11:07]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is Troy Hill.

Applicant Troy Hill: Hello, my name is Troy Hill and I live at 9129 East Pine Valley Road, Scottsdale, 85260. And I lived here for just under 11 years. My wife and I have three children, and I work for one of the larger home builders in the valley, that's headquarters in Scottsdale. And my responsibility there is I'm the director of urban development.

And as that being my title and my job responsibility, I focus on attached product and specifically projects that are within Scottsdale. So I have been working on projects such as the Diamante project and I'm working on a project at Indian bend called the artesian project. And in doing that, what we have been doing is we created an outreach program to go to the existing residents that are there and also the surrounding neighbors to talk with them about what they want.

And so the reason why I think that is relevant to what I am doing today, coming before you to ask to be part of the Development Review Board is because I know from today's data, what people are looking for. And why do I want to do that for the city of Scottsdale? Why do I want to volunteer that time and knowledge? It's because I'm at a stage of my life where I want to be able to give back and I know everyone that is here wants to give back and they want to create an imprint or they want to look back in 20 years and say, you know, what I made a difference. And that's respectable for everyone that's here. I likewise want to do the same thing. I would like to give back and I would like to be able to -- to listen to all the stakeholders.

One of the things that I constantly keep in the back of my mind when I am talking with others, is that I know it's not necessarily about what I say, or what I do, but it's about how I make people feel. And what I intend to do is I want to listen to those people and ask those intuitive -- those inquisitive questions about why people are here. People come and they present their cases and then residents come and they want to have their voices heard. And what I want to make sure that I do, what I think the challenge of the Development Review Board is to listen to all the stakeholders, whether it's the staff, whether it is the people that are presenting the case or whether it's the residents that are coming here to voice their opinions. It's to be able to analyze all of the things that they are saying and to be able to make a judgment call on what's going to represent the city of Scottsdale and the character and the culture that is here. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Okay. Thank you, sir. We have four nominees and one vacancy, and each councilmember can vote for one. We'll begin with Councilwoman Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Tammy Caputi.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I will vote for Shakir Gushgari.

Mayor Lane: I'll vote for Tammy Caputi.

Councilmember Korte: Tammy Caputi.

Councilman Smith: Shakir Gushgari.

Councilman Phillips: Shakir Gushgari.

Vice Mayor Klapp: And Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Tammy Caputi.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I'm sorry, I couldn't hear it.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: I believe it was Tammy Caputi.

Vice Mayor Klapp: All right. Thank you. Then we have Tammy Caputi who was appointed to the Development Review Board.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

[Time: 00:15:05]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is the Human Relations Commission. This 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.

There's one vacancy and three nominees. And one of the nominees is unable to attend but has submitted written responses. Her name is Janice Shimokubo. We have two people here to interview. We will begin with Maureen Aldes.

Applicant Maureen Aldes: Mayor Lane, Councilmembers, I really appreciate the opportunity of being with you this afternoon. My name is Maureen Ales. I go by Reeni. I live at 7575 East Indian Bend Road, number 1081, 85250. I have lived in Scottsdale for a little over six years. But I have been coming to Scottsdale once a year since the late 1970s. So Scottsdale and I are good friends.

My husband and I have lived in a lot of different places throughout the United States, pursuing our education and our careers. But a little over six years ago, we realized we were at a stage of our lives where we could now choose a place where we wanted to live the rest of our lives, our forever home and we chose Scottsdale. To me, Scottsdale is like a tapestry. It's a tapestry made up of different threads and these threads include the arts, natural resources, healthcare, education, government, recreation, large and small businesses. But the thread that holds all of this together is the people, the citizens. Because without the people, the tapestry will fall apart.

I believe that as people, we must learn to live together, to find our similarities, while embracing our differences. But this is not always easy. And sometimes it takes a little push in the right direction. I have had the opportunity to read a number of the transcripts from the human relations commission meetings and I applaud their efforts in fighting discrimination and promoting unity. I have spent a great deal of my adult life working toward these goals and I would like to continue this work here in

Scottsdale with the human relations commission. It's my belief that the key to inclusion is education in all its forms, not just classroom education, although that is very important, but educating our citizens through art, through nature, through personal interactions, through the sharing of beliefs and viewpoints. Much work has been done, but there's much more left to be done. And I would like to be a part of this work. I would like to assist in the strengthening of the threads that holds the tapestry of Scottsdale together. Thank you very much for this opportunity.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Thank you very much. Next Marie Mendoza.

[Time: 00:19:11]

Applicant Marie Mendoza: Good afternoon, Mayor Jim Lane and honorable Councilmembers. My name is Marie Hannellie Mendoza and I go by Hannellie. I lived in Scottsdale for ten years. I recently bought my home at 11027 North 111th Place, Scottsdale 85259. I fell in love with Scottsdale during my second visit in 2004, and I promised myself that given the opportunity I will make my home here. So that opportunity came in 2007, by way of a job with Cannon Business Solutions over at SkySong and I happily moved here from L.A. that same year.

After a year of settling in my job, and enjoying this oasis in the desert, I felt the need to give back and to be more involved in my community. I sought out an organization that is Scottsdale based called ACEL or Asian Corporate and Entrepreneurial Leaders. It's a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote and develop leadership skills among the Asian-American community. There is a lot of talent in the Asian-American community that I think needs to be harnessed by just encouraging this group to be more involved. ACEL sponsored my leadership in the Scottsdale Leadership. Where I was able to admire the volunteer driven activities that the city has been running from. And I also became aware of a lot of volunteer opportunities that I can engage in, to be able to give back to the community, which has been good to me.

I believe that having developed my capabilities as ACEL leader, in mobilizing and engaging the Asian-American community, by way of my roles as the V.P. for event operations and board member, that I can also be an effective voice in the evangelizing and helping to realize the mission of the H.R.C. for diversity and inclusion in Scottsdale among all of minority groups.

I believe one of the most prevalent issues that we face today is bullying which is a form of not being inclusive. It comes in different forms, whether consciously or unconsciously, emotional, verbal, physical and cyber. And the best way to counter this is through a regular cadence of communication and activities that promote the fact that we are equals. No one is more superior than the other and that we all have American after our names. Asian-American, African-American, Native American or Hispanic-American. Thank you for the opportunity being considered to serve.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Okay. There's two people that interviewed and one that submitted a written response.

So I will begin with the -- with my nomination and that would be Marie Mendoza.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Marie Mendoza.

Councilmember Korte: Reeni Aldes.

Councilman Smith: Marie Mendoza.

Councilman Phillips: Marie Mendoza.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Marie Mendoza.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Marie Mendoza.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay. We have appointed Marie Mendoza to the Human Relations Commission.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

[Time: 00:23:12]

Vice Mayor Klapp: The Human Services Commission provides advisory recommendations to staff and the City Council on human services priorities and programs. There is one vacancy and three nominees. We will begin with the first nominee who is Jodie Anderson.

Applicant Jodie Anderson: Thank you, Mayor and Councilmembers. I'm Jodie Anderson. I live at 6480 North 82nd Street, apartment 137, 85250. I have lived in that ZIP code for 41 years, first as a homeowner and now as an almost retiree. And my experience has been as an administrative professional in various organizations, both here in Scottsdale and city of Phoenix.

I had public jobs, which is what I have now with D.E.S. , but I have worked in our safety net healthcare system for our county, and it's these types of jobs that have given me the perspective that so many people need such varied services. Today may be fine and somebody may have an auto accident. They may have a child born that needs help. Every range of possibility and where I work now, child support services, suddenly a family becomes poverty-stricken because the noncustodial parent refuses to pay their child support and disappears.

I know the strain on our systems are really heavy with need versus the amount of money that can be allocated toward them. I hope that we could take a good look at things as they come in, look at the funding and make sure that our community partners are also giving us a good accounting of the funds that are allotted to them. Their reporting needs to be as good as the services they give to our citizens. With that, I will -- if you have questions?

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Are there any questions? Appears not to be. Thank you. Next, we have Jayne Hubbard.

[Time: 00:26:05]

Applicant Jayne Hubbard: Good afternoon Mayor Lane and councilmen and women, it's an honor to be here. I live at 7317 East Thornwood Drive. I have been a resident for eight years.

I want to serve on this commission because I've had a chance to interface in the last year a lot with the city and I want to find a way to be a much more effective and deeper and broader perspective in helping develop these programs that are already doing a great job. I bring to this position a lifetime, I believe, of experience, most everything I have done. Currently I'm a halftime pastor at a church in north Scottsdale and I serve at a halftime position at the Foothills Caring Corps in human service transportation, but many areas of human services. And in that particular job with working with Maricopa Association of Governments as a mobility manager, I had an opportunity to work with Scottsdale and a number of connections, namely getting the cab connection up our direction, as well as serving on the age friendly committee, which I think is in its fourth year of a meeting and seeing so many good things happen there, but a lifetime of being a teacher, an educator, a community organizer, in rural America, small cities and twice developing nations.

And it's always my goal to see people live in healthy communities, where there's dignity and services for all. Particularly the things I see in Scottsdale are, first of all, we are a wonderful city and a city who has lots of invested residents. Many of them are seniors. So I see that as the number one issue. And also families and in that particular range, obviously transportation is very important to me, but also housing. How do we find affordable housing for people, both in north Scottsdale and here. And I think the only way to do it is to find more partnerships and encourage those between the public sector, nonprofits, anyone that we can. The faith communities, so that we might come up with really creative ways for people to find good housing.

And I look forward to serving in that way and I think my gifts that I bring to that is story telling. I think I'm proven both verbal and written storyteller that gets passion and stories and the message out across to people to help connect folks with their time and their talents, and their checkbooks to make sure that human services happen. So it would be an honor to serve on this commission. Thank you so much.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Thank you very much. Next, Robert Jones.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: Vice Mayor, we received an email from Mr. Jones that he is unable to attend and he would like to withdraw his name.

Vice Mayor Klapp: He's withdrawing his name. Then we have two candidates for this position, and we will begin with Mayor Lane.

Mayor Lane: I vote for Jayne Hubbard.

Councilmember Korte: Jayne Hubbard.

Councilman Smith: Jodie Anderson.

Councilman Phillips: Jodie Anderson.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Jodie Anderson.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Jayne Hubbard.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Jayne Hubbard. So we have appointed Jayne Hubbard to the human services commission. Congratulations.

JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS ADVISORY BOARD

[Time: 00:29:56]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is the Judicial Appointments Advisory Board. This board makes advisory recommendations to the City Council regarding the appointment and reappointment of full-time city judges. The seven-member JAAB will consist of two active judges, one representative from both the State Bar and the Scottsdale Bar Associations, and three citizens appointed by the City Council.

There's one vacancy and one nominee. And the nominee is Brian Adamovich. He's submitted his written responses. We have one nominee, and I will take the next person, which is councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: I nominate Brian Adamovich.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: I'm going to pass.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay.

Councilman Phillips: Adamovich.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Brian Adamovich.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Mr. Adamovich.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I vote for Mr. Adamovich.

Mayor Lane: Mr. Adamovich.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay. So we appointed Brian Adamovich to the Judicial Appointments Advisory Board. The next is the Library Board. This Board advises the City Council on general policy relating to the programs,

Councilmember Korte: Excuse me. Could we get a position or a comment from our city attorney regarding passing on a potential nominee?

City Attorney Bruce Washburn: Mayor, members of Council, the city attorney's office position has been -- has always been that all councilmembers who are present are required to vote on all matters which a vote is being taken. I don't know if we've had this come up in the context of an appointment, but -- and this is -- this is based on an interpretation of city ordinance, that all councilmembers are required to vote unless you have a conflict or appearance of a conflict. So I think my opinion would be that this should be treated the same way as any other vote in the council and the abstentions are not in order.

Councilman Smith: I'm more than happy to vote against then, if that's the interpretation.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I would assume that would be okay, Mr. Attorney, but please tell me. There's only one nominee and if he didn't want to vote for that nominee, his only alternative is to vote against. Is that correct?

City Attorney Bruce Washburn: Yes.

LIBRARY BOARD

[Time: 00:31:13]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay. We move on to the Library Board. Teresa Quale's term expired January 27, and she is eligible for reappointment and has submitted an application for consideration. For a new appointment. So there's one vacancy and one nominee. If Teresa Quale will come up and speak, please? Okay. I'm told it's Quale.

Applicant Teresa Quale: That's correct. Thank you, Mayor and Council. My name is Teresa Kim Quale and I live on East Astor Drive in Scottsdale, 85260 and I lived in Scottsdale for 55 years. I grew up here.

I want to serve on this board because as we mentioned, I have been on the board for the last three years and I'm very interested in the library. I feel like I know it well since I have been going to the library since it was in the little red schoolhouse, through the book mobiles and through the five wonderful libraries that we have now. Through being involved in the last three years, if I felt strongly about the services the library provides to our community, then I feel even stronger now. I have had a chance to see the dedication and the staff and during my tenure in the last three years, I was fortunate to be selected as state of Arizona consumer advocate and went to Washington and got the

opportunity to talk to the legislators about what libraries do in Arizona. I also took it upon myself to visit every library and every vacation city, my very patient husband has been to the library in Asheville, North Carolina; Denver; Hawaii, all sorts of things and getting ideas and quite frankly, seeing the wonderful things that we do has made me realize how even more important it is, that the library is there for the community. I think those experiences qualify me for being on this commission.

The top issues facing the library, I think there are really two. One is the very important work that the library does for the children of Scottsdale. Particularly early childhood. With the constraints that the school districts are facing which we hear about literally every day, the library has done a yeoman's job of stepping in and helping with not only S.T.E.M. classes but all of the work that they are doing with early childhood, which has garnered some grants for them and we are trying hard to support those. I have been going to some of those sessions. I don't have children nor grandchildren so when I show up without a toddler, they look at me with askance. It's rewarding to see the kids interact and what they learn from those experiences. The top issues are children.

The other is to reintroduce the Scottsdale heritage collection back to the library. The southwest room was closed when the loft was built for business. And we need to bring those historical documents back into access for the city and I have been actively involved in doing just that. So I'm very excited to hopefully serve again.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you very much. Are there any questions? Okay. We will begin with Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Teresa Quale.

Councilman Phillips: Teresa Quale.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Teresa Quale.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Teresa Quale.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Teresa Quale.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Quale.

Councilmember Korte: Teresa Quale.

Vice Mayor Klapp: So we have nominated Teresa Quale.

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION

[Time: 00:36:40]

Vice Mayor Klapp: 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.

Todd Becker's term expired and he is eligible for reappointment but has withdrawn his application from consideration. So there are two vacancies with one nominee. The nominee is Rachel Putman, if she will please come to the podium.

Applicant Rachel Putman: Good evening, Mr. Mayor and esteemed Councilmembers. My name is Rachel Putman and I had the pleasure of living at 7536 East Virginia Avenue for a little over two glorious and memorable years. I'm excited to be here this evening to interview for an appointment on the Neighborhood Advisory Commission. Serving in the communities on which we live is always something I'm passionate about and I feel strongly that my personal, professional and philanthropic experiences align to those required this commission.

Why do I want to serve on this commission? My answer is simple. Scottsdale is first place in 15 years since graduating high school and moving away from my family that I have called home. I love Scottsdale and I want to see the city continue to thrive in its diversity, offer endless possibilities to its citizens and most importantly uphold its name of being the most livable city. I want Scottsdale to be the place that I raised my family and continue to call home for years to come.

In college, I studied hotel, restaurant institutional management at the University of Delaware. This unique business helped to drive my passion for food, cooking and entertaining others. This is probably one of the reasons why I love Scottsdale with the focus hospitality. Like most individuals, however, my studies do not transcend into a professional career in the industry but tried to turn into the world of finance and banking. I worked for some of the top financial institutions for the last 15 years, holding roles in just about every sector of the business, while leading the efforts of others across the U.S., Europe and Canada. In doing so, I have learned to adopt well to change, honor culture, diversity and inclusion and most importantly work with clients and teammates while focusing on empathy.

As for philanthropy, I have done so for the past six years. Yes, you heard that correctly, my fellow blue hens love Arizona as much as I do. I have also volunteered extensively with the money other local organizations. I'm now looking for a new opportunity in which I can continue my passion for supports and serving the community in which I live. I truly believe in the mantra, be the change you wish to see in the world. I find there are no greater ways than volunteering for this commission and helping to build an even more promising Scottsdale.

I think the biggest issue facing this commission today is to ensure that Scottsdale remains an amazing city with a small town feel. The continued revitalization of this McDowell Road corridor and downtown are critical to this mission, not to mention, the specific part of time in which we live. By investing in our community, we can continue to receive accolades as the number one city for jobs or the number two city for socioeconomic, and we are attracting top companies with top talent around

the country. I'm dedicated to ensure an even more encouraging future for my beloved Scottsdale. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Thank you very much. Okay we have one person, Rachel Putman. We will begin with Councilman Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Rachel Putman.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Rachel Putman.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Rachel Putman.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Rachel Putman.

Mayor Lane: Ms. Putman.

Councilmember Korte: Rachel Putman.

Councilman Smith: Ms. Putman.

Vice Mayor Klapp: It's unanimous.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

[Time: 00:41:15]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next we have the Planning Commission. The commission holds public meetings and makes recommendations to the city council on all matters relating to planning and zoning issues.

Management Assistant Kelli Kuester: Excuse me, I believe we should have parks and rec prior to planning.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Not the way my script went but I will change it. All right. We will do parks and rec first and then planning. The Parks and Recreation Commission advises the City Council on the acquisitions of lands and facilities for use as parks or recreation centers.

Michael Bouschler's term expired November of last year. He was eligible for reappointment, but he did not submit an application for consideration. We have three vacancies and three nominees. We will begin with Michael Auerbach.

Applicant Michael Auerbach: Good afternoon Mayor Lane, members of the Council. My name is Michael Auerbach, and I reside at 4281 North 81st Street here in the city of Scottsdale and I have lived in the city limits for the past eight plus years. I am a former Neighborhood Advisory Commissioner and in that role, I had an opportunity to see the different variations of the city from north to south.

Also participated in many studies and workshops on the general plan. Which as many of you know has been a somewhat contentious issue with the city.

The motto, the unofficial motto of Scottsdale in my humble opinion is live, work and play. I live here. I have always lived here since moving to Arizona. My business is based here in the city of Scottsdale. And the parks and the recreation is the fun part of being a resident of the city. The beautiful parks that we have are second to none. Tourists and visitors from all over come to visit our parks and the youth activities and the entertainment of the ramadas at the different parks and the different parts of the cities all have a very special character to them. Along with the city parks is the McDowell Sonoran Preserve. And because of that gem that the city has, it's important that it be ushered through the many changes and opportunities that are presented to not only the residents who live near and within that community, but also to all of the residents of the city, including those in the south who like to hike and do other things in the McDowells.

As a person who has owned a business here and has served in a different role for the city, I have had an opportunity to meet many, many individuals and hear their concerns about what they would like to see happen since discussions of growing wider are really not a doable thing. The city has to discuss if vertical growth is going to be important, and if it is, then how is that going to happen? And that does tie in with the general plan.

The major concern that I see on the commission, if the council and the Mayor will indulge me is the role of a commissioner on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Specifically, the right to vote on a budget before final passage by the council. So I would be interested in hearing each of your opinion on what you deem my role if I was to be appointed. And, again, of course, it is an honor to be in front of you. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. There are any questions? Thank you, sir. Next, Kurt Jones.

[Time: 00:45:17]

Applicant Kurt Jones: Mayor, members of the City Council, Kurt Jones. I live at 9845 North 87th Way in Scottsdale. The -- my home where my wife and I and our two young sons moved is north of Mountain View Park. We chose that area because of Cochise Elementary School where the boys went and then they went directly to the after school program at Mountain View Park. From, there I got to know the staff there, the programming and it was a wonderful experience for both boys. My oldest son graduated Chaparral. I have another son who is a sophomore at Chaparral. As they have gone through baseball, we have used basically every baseball in the city of Scottsdale. They are second to none. They travel for tournaments and our fields still remain the best. I look forward to working with the commission and ensuring that that still happens.

My background is in planning. I dealt with many of you on land use cases. When I worked here at the city, I dealt with the municipal site plans and went to the Development Review Board. So I have that background, the background in lighting and some of these other issues that are -- are park issues.

I also have an older brother who is mentally challenged and he has used the adaptive services who, I think, since he moved here in 1985. He's been doing Special Olympics here and representing the city of Scottsdale for the Bobcats for about 30 plus years now. And so I have seen the adaptive services staff and how great they are with those folks that use the park services and I want to continue to maintain that as one of the best in the valley.

Background, again land use planning, I feel that my background with regards to staff and knowing the operations of the city will help me with the parks commission, the issues facing the parks commission, I think are going to be programming, budget, and then maintenance. And I think that I want to continue to work with the city staff and the city council in making sure we have the best parks in the country. That's all I have. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Finally, Jason Watton.

[Time: 00:47:38]

Applicant Jason Watton: Good afternoon. I'm Jason Watton. I reside at 12002 North 135th Place in Scottsdale. I have been a resident here for 11 years now. I'm a licensed landscape architect and busy Realtor here in town. And I have had the privilege of designing such facilities, parks and recreation and preservation facilities, both here and other states. I'm a recent graduate of the Scottsdale Area Association of Real Estate Academy and a nominee for the top 40 under 40 Scottsdale Realtors. I'm an advocate for the Scottsdale quality of life, to my clients almost every day. And I have a passion for the community that I would like to share and continue to help shape the positive future of Scottsdale.

My top goal is just generally that -- to help ensure that the parks and recreation opportunities here in this city, not only support a growing and thriving community but continue to enhance it and they have always been a big part of the history of Scottsdale.

Personally, I'm a husband and father of two children, a sports nut, and a lover of the outdoors. So we love the facilities here in Scottsdale and all types of ways. I appreciate the opportunity to give back to the community. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Thank you. Okay. There are three vacancies and three nominees. The nominees, again, were the three that you heard and we'll begin with Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Michael Auerbach, Kurt Jones, and Jason Watton.

Councilwoman Milhaven: There's three openings? Mr. Auerbach, Mr. Jones and Mr. Watton.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Mr. Auerbach, Kurt Jones, Mr. Watton.

Mayor Lane: Mr. Auerbach, Jones, and Watton.

Councilmember Korte: Mr. Auerbach, Mr. Jones and Watton.

Councilman Smith: Mr. Jones and Mr. Watton.

Councilman Phillips: Mr. Auerbach, Mr. Jones and Watton.

Vice Mayor Klapp: We have all three people who were nominated for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Congratulations, all of you.

PLANNING COMMISSION

[Time: 00:50:22]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next we go to the Planning Commission. This commission holds public meetings and makes recommendations to the City Council on all matters relating to planning and zoning issues.

Matt Cody's term expired this month. Lisa Collins has removed her application from consideration there is one vacancy and three nominees. Tammy Caputi, was made a member of the DRB, but she said she wants to interview for this position. So Tammy Caputi.

Applicant Tammy Caputi: I definitely did not realize I would be nominated for both positions. So that puts me in an awkward position. I want to offer my services to the city in whichever way makes the most sense. I do think I have the background and the knowledge to fill the planning commission and I would be honored to serve on it. So I'm just going to give my three minute speech again and if you could just consider me for this other commission.

As I said, I own and operate a business in Scottsdale in the construction industry and I have three children in the public schools. I'm a Scottsdale homeowner and a taxpayer. I'm vested in the city and I'm passionate about keeping it special while moving it forward. I have considerable experience working with contractors, architects and engineers but I do not have a development agenda or preconceived ideas about the issues that would come before this council.

I would approach my duties in a way that would keep the interests of the whole city in mind while being open minded and unbiased about proposals. As I said, I have a working knowledge of design and construction. I have spent the last 16 years providing electrical supplies for large construction projects all over this valley including Scottsdale. I work with all the stakeholders on a construction project, and I understand how to balance needs, provide solutions for everyone involved.

As a Scottsdale citizen, I have an interest in maintaining the quality of our community, which includes good planning and aesthetics. As I have mentioned, I have a B.A. in economics, a master's in business administration, and I'm active in the Scottsdale chamber of commerce and my children's schools and in my synagogue. I spent the last year running for the Arizona House of Representatives, which allowed

me the opportunity to interact with citizens from all over our city, and I feel I would be a fair voice for all of Scottsdale's residents.

I feel the top concern of the planning commission should always be assuring that projects that are recommended to city council would enhance Scottsdale as a whole. I believe the goal is to understand projects being presented, evaluate them in light of what the city codes require and exercise good faith in making decisions without bias. Scottsdale is a unique community. We have high growth trends and in order to sustain our tourism and our quality of life, the planning commission could play an important role in keeping an eye on the quality of our architecture, not just the quantity. We need thoughtful controlled growth and open minded solutions for the benefit of all.

Just as with the DRB, I feel I have a unique skill set that would be an asset to the planning commission as well. I'm experienced in the design and the construction project, extremely experienced in the design and construction process and I'm also a concerned resident of Scottsdale. It's an honor to be considered once again and I thank you for your time.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Are there any questions? Yes, we do have a question.

Applicant Tammy Caputi: Sure.

Councilman Smith: Ms. Caputi.

Applicant Tammy Caputi: Yeah.

Councilman Smith: It was sort of the luck of the draw --

Applicant Tammy Caputi: I was told planning would come first and I had that prepared but, again, I'm so happy to serve wherever I'm best needed.

Councilman Smith: Let me ask you if they had not come in any particular order, do you have a sense of where your skill set is most applicable in the planning or --

Applicant Tammy Caputi: I originally thought planning would make more sense given my background, but when I went to apply for boards and commissions, I was told, you know, you would have a better chance if you threw a whole bunch of things out there. I figured, I would apply to a couple of boards but honestly, I felt that planning utilized my strengths and my experience and background the best.

Councilman Smith: Thank you.

[Time: 00:54:58]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Any other questions? We move on to Mark Edelman.

Applicant Mark Edelman: Mayor Lane and Councilmembers, good afternoon. For the record my name is Mark Edelman and I lived in Scottsdale for 16 years at 8207 East Sales Drive. 85251. In my professional life, I represent the city's largest landowner and I'm charged with maximizing the value of state trust land. In my private life, as a resident of Scottsdale since 2000, I believe it's essential to consider and balance the needs of the community and its neighborhoods with the city's desire for high quality development.

I earned my graduate degree in planning from A.S.U. I'm an active member of the Arizona chapter of the American planning association, the American institute of certified planners and the Arizona council of the urban land institute. I have worked on zoning, general plan and design review projects in the city of Scottsdale throughout my professional career in both public and private sector. Notable projects in my portfolio include the Chaparral Park water treatment plant and its all of its associated play fields, dog park, the Xeriscape garden. I worked on One Scottsdale. Parada Estates and the recent rezoning of Arizona trust land in north Scottsdale.

I believe the interface between new projects and existing neighborhoods and businesses will be of paramount importance to the city and the planning commission. My approach to these issues will consider development plans in light of their benefit to the overall community, while placing a priority on private property rights of both the applicants and the adjacent neighbors. I come before you today to offer my professional experience and expertise and service to my community and I thank you for your consideration.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions?

Councilman Smith: Yes, I do.

Vice Mayor Klapp: We have a question from Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith: Mr. Edelman, as you said, you are representing in your day life the largest landowner in the city and maximizing the value of their holdings. How do you -- how can you sort that -- how can you wear those two hats?

Applicant Mark Edelman: Mayor Lane, Councilman Smith, I have been asked that question by many people including my employer and in that case, I would have to rely on the counsel of both the city attorney's office and also our attorney general's representatives at the state to advise when there is a conflict, in which case I would recuse myself from vote, from consideration to whatever degree is needed.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Any other questions? Thank you. And finally Kelsey Young.

[Time: 00:57:50]

Applicant Kelsey Young: Good evening Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Klapp and City Councilmembers. My name is Kelsey Young and I reside at 3331 N. 63rd Street. I'm a native to Scottsdale born and

raised, a product of Scottsdale schools and Arizona State University. I still live five minutes away from the hospital I was born in, Scottsdale Osborn. I could have left to go live anywhere in the world, but I chose to stay right here in Scottsdale because I believe it's the best place in the world to live.

I have seen Scottsdale grow over the past few decades. I grew up for the first 18 years of my life on Scottsdale Ranch, which at the time was considered north Scottsdale. I spent the past 14 years living, working and playing in our beautiful downtown Scottsdale. When I moved to downtown, it wasn't the vibrant economic engine it is today.

I have seen the development happen, the good and the bad. I believe I can have a direct impact on only bringing the good, quality projects to our city. I think it's important to have someone living in the downtown area to give a balanced perspective of maintaining the wonderful place we are lucky enough to call home.

My background is in real estate. I own several properties in Scottsdale. My job allows me to show everyone what an amazing place it is and why it's smart to invest in Scottsdale. I have also had the honor of serving on the city's Development Review Board over the past two years. This has been an incredible experience for me to see the direct impact I can have on the city.

By being on the planning commission, I can ensure that I will be able to continue to be a part of the high quality development we have, which leads to our unbelievable high quality of living here in Scottsdale. Thank you very much for your opportunity and I look forward to continue to serve my community.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Okay. Thank you. All right. We have three nominees and one opening. We'll begin with Councilwoman Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Kelsey Young.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I vote for Kelsey Young.

Mayor Lane: Kelsey Young.

Councilmember Korte: Kelsey Young.

Councilman Smith: Tammy Caputi.

Councilman Phillips: Kelsey Young.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Tammy Caputi.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay. We have appointed Kelsey Young to the Planning Commission.

Congratulations.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

[Time: 01:00:26]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is the Tourism Development Commission. This commission advises the council on matters concerning the tourism industry in Scottsdale as well as the expenditure of revenues from the transaction privilege tax on transient lodging better known as the bed tax designated for tourism development as specified into our city's code. The seven members of the TDC shall consist of representatives of the tourism industry in Scottsdale, including a minimum of four Scottsdale hoteliers, one member of Experience Scottsdale and a balance from elements of the tourism industry.

Camille Hill's term expired January 27, and she is eligible for reappointment and has submitted an application for consideration. She represents a tourism and Experience Scottsdale position. There is one vacancy with two nominees. Well, we would have begun with Camille Hill, but she has submitted written responses. Hopefully the council has read those, and we then will have an interview with Milan Kesic. Is Mr. Kesic here? He's not here.

So we have two candidates for one position. And we'll -- I will begin. So I vote for Camille Hill. Mayor?

Mayor Lane: Camille Hill.

Councilmember Korte: Camille Hill.

Councilman Smith: Camille Hill.

Councilman Phillips: Camille Hill.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Camille Hill.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Camille Hill.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Okay, it's unanimous, Camille Hill is reappointed to the Tourism Development Commission.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

[Time: 01:02:06]

Vice Mayor Klapp: Next is the Transportation Commission. This is an advisory board to the City Council on matters related to transportation.

There's one vacancy and two nominees. We begin with Scott Angell.

Applicant Scott Angell: Hello, Mayor Lane and Councilmembers. My name is Scott Angell. I live at 3500 North Hayden Road. Unit 708, 85251. I have lived there for six months, but have been a resident of the Phoenix metropolitan area my entire life, and I'm also a product of the Scottsdale Unified School District.

I'm here today because I'm interested in serving on the Transportation Commission. I'm doing this because I would really like to make a difference in my community, Scottsdale as I just recently purchased property is now my permanent home. And having lived in Tucson, a city with fairly good infrastructure, but not the best, I understand how important it is to have a great road network and other means of transportation through the city. As a millennial, I believe it's important for me to be here because I have a view point that is often over evaluated and underrepresented in both business and government. As a young real estate professional, I have both work and educational experience that would make a positive addition to the transportation commission.

Since graduating college, I worked as a commercial real estate broker, having transacted over \$1 million within the city limits. At the University of Arizona, my studies were in urban planning, and that included advanced courses featuring transportation networks and concepts in multimodal cities similar to Scottsdale. I have also begun to get involved in the city and have attended events such as the experience Scottsdale social over at the g selection in November and more recently the civic center master plan meeting about a month ago over in the Scottsdale performing for the arts.

The largest outstanding issue is how to plan for future transportation needs and trends. As companies like General Motors and Uber work on their self-driving car systems, the way people commute in cities may change. And we'll need to review how this can affect roads, parking, vehicle ownership and public transportation. As Scottsdale grows in both population and density, an efficient and adaptable transportation network will become ever important. And as a member of the Transportation Commission, I would take the utmost care in keeping Scottsdale one of America's most livable cities. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Okay. Pam Iacovo.

[Time: 01:05:23]

Applicant Pam Iacovo: My name is Pam Iacovo.

Vice Mayor Klapp: I really messed that one up.

Applicant Pam Iacovo: I live on East Gold Dust Avenue. I have been a city resident for 15 years.

Mayor and council, thank you for this opportunity to re-interview for this important commission vacancy. I interviewed and after two prior tie votes, Jyme Sue McClaren was elected. I lived in Scottsdale for nearly 15 years having moved here in 2002, with my husband and two children in tow with no jobs. It's turned out very well.

I have the background working for chamber of commerce, convention bureau and economic development council. This civic experience blended with my professional transportation, engineering experience with Jacobs and now construction experience with aims construction, a Scottsdale-based company is a good combination to tap on an integration network.

Scottsdale is not like most communities. It is different from Phoenix, Tempe, Mesa and Gilbert. The city's unique history and the vibrancy from Scottsdale and the old town and the generational and recreational and seasonal areas is what makes our city unique and our transportation program critical.

My immediate family covers all generations from boomers to millennials and includes two graduates from desert mountain high school. We all rely on transportation for different reasons. Linking these reasons to build multimodal options within the framework of the city's obligations is a challenge. From educational needs to aging in place, to incorporating technology services, like Uber and Lyft and driverless cars, transportation is not a simple dynamic to manage.

The biggest issue is balancing the budget for transportation, with the multimodal needs of the diverse areas and demographics of the city. To address this issue, perhaps a full review and assessment of the city's recently adopted transportation master plan might be performed in a workshop-type environment, with the chamber of commerce and the economic development department in order to bring all of the city's focus areas together to confirm the course outlined in the master plan. This workshop might also include private transportation options such as Uber and Lyft and private transportation services available through senior living facilities, for example.

I welcome this opportunity to bring my civic background and knowledge of transportation to the Scottsdale transportation commission and fulfilling the commission's role as an advisory board to the council on matters related to transportation. Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Thank you. Any questions? Okay.

Applicant Pam Iacovo: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Klapp: We have two nominees and one vacancy. Each councilmember can vote one time. We'll begin with the Mayor.

Mayor Lane: Pamela Iacovo.

Councilmember Korte: Pam Iacovo.

Councilman Smith: Pam Iacovo.

Councilman Phillips: Scott Angell.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Pam Iacovo

Councilwoman Milhaven: Pam Iacovo.

Vice Mayor Klapp: And Pam Iacovo. Thanks for trying again. Congratulations.

PATHS AND TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE

[Time: 01:09:14]

Vice Mayor Klapp: The final group is the Paths and Trails Subcommittee, however we only have one applicant and I was informed before the meeting that Mr. Watton is the applicant but if he was selected for parks and rec, he would withdraw from the path and trails. That means we have no candidates for this particular subcommittee tonight. So we have to take this around one more time and find out if we have applicants in the future.

So that concludes our interview and appointment process this afternoon. I would like to thank everyone that interviewed today and also comment that everyone that comes to us is very impressive. I'm always glad when people come back because it's very difficult up here to pick from among really good people and we sometimes really regret that we couldn't pick everybody. So please come back and apply again if you did not get appointed this time around. Your application will remain on file for one year for consideration at a future date, if there's additional vacancies.

The city of Scottsdale is really lucky to have people that are as dedicated as we have in this audience and apply for these positions. Any city I have ever lived in, I have never seen such high quality of people that want to serve on the boards and commissions. I thank you all very much for coming to us for your consideration.

With that, we will turn the meeting back to the Mayor.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Nice job and I would also like to say great group of applicants and they are all appreciated. Your involvement with the city and the continued interest to be appointed. So please be back again if you didn't make it this time.

ADJOURN

Mayor Lane: So with that, that concludes our business for our special meeting. And I would ask for a motion to adjourn.

Councilmembers: So moved.

Vice Mayor Klapp: Second.

Mayor Lane: The motion is made and seconded. All those in favor of adjournment. We are adjourned on this special meeting. We are going to go ahead and take five minutes, and before we start our regular meeting in five minutes.