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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:03]

Mayor Lane: Good afternoon, everyone. I would like to call to order this Special Meeting, the City Council Special Meeting, November 26th, 2018.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:16]

Mayor Lane: It's approximately 4:05, and I will start with a roll call, please.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Guy Phillips.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilwoman Korte: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Kathy Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: David Smith.

Councilman Smith: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: City Manager Jim Thompson.

Jim Thompson: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Bruce Washburn.

Bruce Washburn: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: And the Clerk is present.

[Time: 00:00:36]

Mayor Lane: Thank you. The purpose of this Special Meeting is for one reason and one reason only, and that's to initiate and do the interview to our Boards and Commissions. I will turn the meeting over to the Vice Mayor. Vice Mayor Guy Phillips.

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

[Time: 00:00:54]

Vice Mayor Phillips: The Council relies on volunteer for our citizen-based Boards and Commissions to research issues and make recommendations in support of the Council's mission and goals. The information and the recommendations provided by Council appointed advisory boards is a valuable tool in helping Councilmembers in their deliberations. This afternoon, the Councilmembers will be appointing Scottsdale residents interested in serving on citizen advisory Boards and Commissions. I would like to thank these individuals for their willingness to volunteer their time and service for this

community.

So as I call your name, please approach the podium and briefly cover the following. For the record, please state your name and address, how long you have lived here. Please tell us how your education, employment or volunteer experience relates to the board or commission and what is the top issue facing the board or commission. Please limit your comments to two minutes or less. And we have a timer to indicate your time.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD

[Time: 00:02:06]

Vice Mayor Phillips: Let's get started with the Environmental Quality Advisory Board. We have one opening. The Environmental Quality Advisory Board provides information on the environmental activities and recommends environmental policies to the City Council. Special qualifications as specified in the city code. It should have scientific and nonscientific interests. There's one vacancy and three nominees. The nominees are Walter Cuculic, Ryan Johnson and Adam Wasserman. So is Walter Cuculic here? Okay. It doesn't look like it. How about Ryan Johnson? Over here, sir.

[Time: 00:03:01]

Ryan Johnson: Good afternoon, I'm Ryan Johnson. I'm an 18-year resident of Scottsdale. I live at 11301 Saguaro Lane. That's in the Stonegate community. We spent 18 years in Scottsdale, and our two teenaged daughters never lived outside our city. I'm delighted to potentially sit on the Environmental Quality Advisory Board because I think I provide exceptional qualities. For the last four years, I led the professional and custom education at Arizona State University. I interact with companies and nongovernmental organizations that are trying to embed sustainability into their operations and organizational cultures.

A year after starting the job at A.S.U., I took advantage of the employee discount, and I eventually completed a master's degree in sustainability. The school of sustainability is enjoyed a worldwide reputation for leadership in the relatively new academic discipline of sustainability. People often ask me how the school defines the term "sustainable" and I like to joke that our 28 faculty operate with more than 30 different definitions of sustainability. The president of the university, Michael Crow likes to say sustainability is a balance of wealth generation and continuously enhances social well-being. I also like the definition that the Mayo Clinic uses, which is wise and efficient use of limited resources. Prior to school of sustainability, I spent more than a dozen year at Scottsdale WorldatWork and my last title there was vice president. I bring extensive volunteer leadership to Scottsdale, including SARRC, Gabriel's Angels and United Way. And it's clear there are a number of issues of importance. I have seen citizens concerned about the herbicides and other chemicals, and water will always be an issue in this area.

I was pleased to see the innovative and forward-thinking Scottsdale campus celebrate 20 years and the

city might have an opportunity to do better with waste diversion. I believe that most people often get activated or encounter sustainability in environmental issues when they are threatening or encroaching and the good news is our city has a well-established environmental consciousness as our McDowell Mountain Preserve. And I believe, thank you.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Thank you. Do you have any questions? Nope? Thank you. Is Adam Wasserman here?

[Time: 00:05:56]

Adam Wasserman: Good afternoon. Mayor and members of the Council, I'm Adam Wasserman. I reside at 10325 East Dreyfuss in Scottsdale, and I have lived here for eight years with my family. A couple of things, I'm a graduate of A.S.U., moved back to Arizona about eight years ago when I moved to Scottsdale. I lived here before. My degree is in finance and business, but in the environmental planning as well. So my proposition in life, and in my career is about the balance of business and doing the right thing and doing good things for the environment. Really I never considered myself an environmentalist, but cared about the environment. I care about doing the right thing. What I do today, I think gives me a perspective on communities and balancing environment with growth and competitiveness and quality of life.

I'm a business owner. I own a business that is an international investment advisory firm, and we work on projects around seaports and airports all over the world. These projects give me a chance to touch government at the local level, at the state level in the United States, sometimes the federal level. We work in places like California, which are quite serious about the environment, because they have great challenges to tackle. And I guess all I would say to you is I don't see a vast distinction between the ability to do the right thing and balance government and business competitiveness. I think the most important thing, there's an array of issues that I think are quite important and what drove me here today are air and children. Air quality and children. Thank you for your time.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Council have any questions? Councilwoman.

Councilwoman Littlefield: I couldn't hear what you had to say? Air quality and what?

Adam Wasserman: Children.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Children. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Thank you. So we have three nominees and one vacancy. Did Walter Cuculic just walk in? Nope. Okay. So, again, we have one vacancy and three nominees. Each Councilmember can vote once. We will start with Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Ryan Johnson.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ryan Johnson.

Councilwoman Klapp: Adam Wasserman.

Mayor Lane: Adam Wasserman.

Councilmember Korte: Ryan Johnson.

Councilman Smith: Ryan Johnson.

Vice Mayor Phillips: And I will say Ryan Johnson. Okay. Mr. Johnson, it looks like you have been nominated. Thank you.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

[Time: 00:09:10]

Vice Mayor Phillips: Moving on, the Historic Preservation Commission, we have two openings. Architect historian, Historic Preservation Commission, oversees the historic preservation program, special qualifications as outlined in the Scottsdale city code, each better shall be in building construction, architectural history, real estate, historic preservation law, there are two vacancies and two nominees. The nominees are Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer. Is Melissa here?

[Time: 00:09:54]

Melissa Fedock: Good afternoon. My name is Melissa Fedock. I live in south Scottsdale. I have lived in south Scottsdale my entire life. I have grown up here. My background is in residential and commercial interior design, with a strong emphasis in mid-century design. I think the number one really, issue facing the board is progress and preservation and weighing the two and deciding what is worth preserving and what is relevant and what neighborhoods are worth preserving and how to really control that. And how to move forward with progress and new construction and to balance that and to keep really the integrity of Scottsdale. So do you have any questions for me?

Vice Mayor Phillips: Questions? Okay. Thank you.

Melissa Fedock: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Peter Hosmer?

[Time: 00:11:01]

Peter Hosmer: Good afternoon, Mr. Mayor, and members of the Council. My name is Peter Hosmer. I live at 6418 E. Mescal Street, Scottsdale, 85254. I lived here since 1958. I got my

degree in architecture at U of A and moved back from Tucson and been living here ever since. I have been a practicing architect since 1982 and currently have Arizona registration. I also served on a board at the city of Phoenix and felt like it was unfair that I didn't participate in my own community.

So with an emphasis for my education, where I did my thesis on adaptive reuse, I got interested in historic preservation and have been a member of the national trust for historic preservation for the last 35 years. I think it what's important to Scottsdale is, one, they need an old guy, and the other is I think it's important for people that remember certain things in Scottsdale so they know what's important. Having been here as a child, and running through all the streets and understanding the importance of the old Earl's Market and Luke's and so forth, I thought maybe I would have something to share.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Any questions? Thank you very much.

Peter Hosmer: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Phillips: So we have two vacancies and two nominees. Each Councilmember can vote twice. We will start with Councilwoman Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ms. Fedock and Mr. Hosmer.

Councilwoman Klapp: Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer.

Mayor Lane: Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer.

Councilmember Korte: Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer.

Councilman Smith: Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Melissa Fedock and Peter Hosmer.

Councilwoman Littlefield: No additional.

Vice Mayor Phillips: It's unanimous. Congratulations to you both.

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION

[Time: 00:13:21]

Vice Mayor Phillips: Okay. Last but certainly not least, the Neighborhood Advisory Commission. We have one opening and, the Neighborhood Advisory Commission advises and makes recommendations to the City Council on policies, plans being strategies and programs for the preservation, improvement and revitalization of Scottsdale housing and neighborhoods. There's one

vacancy and three nominees. Cherie Roy withdrew her nomination from consideration. So the nominations are Dominic Bilotti, Jonathan Budwig, who was unable to attend but would like to be considered. And Ross Cromarty. So is Dominic Bilotti here?

[Time: 00:14:03]

Dominic Bilotti: Hello, Councilmembers. My name Dominic Bilotti, I'm applying for the seat on the Neighborhood Advisory Commission. I live at 9494 East Redfield Road, Apartment 2114, Scottsdale, Arizona. Probably know the ZIP code. So I have lived here for about six months now, technically in Scottsdale. Another two years on the border of the Scottsdale and Phoenix up in north Scottsdale by the dealerships. I first want to thank you all for the nomination opportunity to state my case why I would be a valuable member for the commission. There are three specific experiences that I have that I think best prepare me to add value to the commission specific initiatives now.

One being a student member of the San Diego college area community Council, and working to bridge the gap between university students and community members there. Number two, being a chair of a student financial committee that vetted organizations and individuals for grant money totaling over \$1 million. And then number three, my time with habitat for humanity building new homes or working on similar ad hoc projects to our Operation Fix-It here in Scottsdale. In addition, my professional experience working here in the valley for the Vanguard Group has enhanced my skill set in areas such as marketing, project management and leadership that I believe would be beneficial for the commission. I would look to contribute as much as I can to all the commission's stellar current initiatives through preservation of our initiative and water conservation programs, ongoing improvement by way of our Operation Fix-It and neighborhood enhancement grant funds. And finally, continuing to revitalize Scottsdale via our 2019 Downtown Character Area Plan.

I believe the commission is in a great spot to execute on all of these initiatives as well as creatively adapt to our ever-changing community landscape. Moving forward, though, our commission will continue to be challenged with three major issues, number one, the rising housing prices in the accessibility to single family units within our community. Number two, the place that AirBNBs have within in our communities and then finally the continued expansion and position of electronic scooters and bicycles that have been pervasive here and in other states as well. I want to thank you for your time and would love to answer any questions you may have.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Any questions? Mayor?

Mayor Lane: I just have one quick question. You might have said it. I didn't quite catch it. On your application, it indicates you just moved here?

Dominic Bilotti: Technically, I have only been in Scottsdale for six months. I was on the Phoenix side of the border, and was there for about two years. So I moved here in August of 2016, to Arizona.

Mayor Lane: Okay. But six months certainly in the city of Scottsdale?

Dominic Bilotti: Correct.

Mayor Lane: Okay. Thanks that's all I needed. Thank you.

Dominic Bilotti: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Thank you. So, again, there's one vacancy and three nominees. And we'll start with Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: We have one more person to interview.

Mayor Lane: Ross.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Oh, I'm sorry. Ross Cromarty. Sorry, sir. It's not like I'm trying to hurry up or anything.

[Time: 00:17:31]

Ross Cromarty: Mayor Lane, Councilmembers, it's been almost four years since I last came before you and presented for long-range planning and it's great to be here tonight. I have lived here for 25 years. I live at 8109 East del Cimarron Drive, Scottsdale, 85258. My education, I have a Ph.D. in planning, with an emphasis on citizen participation and communication. I used that extensively as one of your employees for 11 years, organizing all the outreach that went with the long-range plans and I worked with many different communities and neighborhoods during that period and got to know a lot of folks out there. I'm still recognized when I walk into Fry's. And how this relates is that I have always worked to have folks included in the process. And I always thought that that was very important.

So now, the top issue. The top issue, I think, for this commission is transparency, communication, and respect. And I feel that the folks that we're going to be catering to, their issues are very local. They don't necessarily tend to be citywide. They can be planning issues, but a lot of them are quality of life issues, which we have tried to address in the past working in the planning department. So I would like that opportunity to continue listening and working with people, and I figured this might be the opportunity to pay you all back for the investment you have made in me as an employee. So I'm actually beating the two minutes and if anyone has any questions, I would be happy to answer them.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Questions? Thank you very much.

Ross Cromarty: Okay.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Okay. So Councilwoman Klapp?

Councilwoman Klapp: Ross Cromarty.

Mayor Lane: Dominic Bilotti.

Councilmember Korte: Ross Cromarty.

Councilman Smith: Ross Cromarty.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Dominic Bilotti.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Ross Cromarty.

Vice Mayor Phillips: Okay. Mr. Cromarty, congratulations. So this concludes our interview and appointment process this afternoon. I want to thank everyone who interviewed this afternoon and would like to note that we are happy to continue to receive applications for the boards and commission. Your application will remain on file for one year for consideration at a future date. The city of Scottsdale is lucky to have such dedicated and talented individuals who are ready and willing to serve for our city. And back to the Mayor.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:20:55]

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Nice job on that meeting and with that, that completes our assignment for the Special Meeting and so with that, I will ask for a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Klapp: Move to adjourn.

Councilmember Korte: Second.

Mayor Lane: Motion to adjourn. It was made by Councilwoman Klapp and seconded by Councilwoman Korte. We are ready to vote. All in favor, register your vote. We are not digital today. I heard none. We are adjourned. We will begin our Regular Meeting at 5:00.