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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:13]

Mayor Lane: Call to order. Good afternoon everyone. It's nice to see you all here with us for our 5 o'clock January 14, 2020, Regular City Council Meeting. We'll start with a call to order.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:18]

Mayor Lane: I'm going to start with a roll call.

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger: Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Kathy Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Present.

Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Guy Phillips.

Councilman Phillips: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Manager Jim Thompson.

Jim Thompson: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Sherry Scott.

Sherry Scott: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols.

Jeff Nichols: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Auditor Sharron Walker.

Sharron Walker: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: And the Clerk is present.

[Time: 00:00:44]

Mayor Lane: Thank you. Some items of business, we do have cards if you'd like to speak on any of the agenda items and/or for Public Comment. Those are the white cards the city clerk is holding over her head to my right. And there are written comment cards are for written comments also the yellow card that she is holding up over her head here to my right again. If you have need for those cards, they are there for you and they'll help you with that. The written cards are for written comments, the white cards are for speaking, and cards for speaking are strictly for the agenda items and Public Comment. The written comments will be read through the course of our proceedings.

We have Scottsdale Police Officers Mike Malecha and Tony Wells as well as Ned Greenleaf from the Scottsdale Fire Department are here to assist you. They're all right up here on the Mezzanine if you have need for their assistance. If you have any difficulty hearing our proceedings today of the meeting, there are hearing-assist headsets that are available, please check with the Clerk's desk over here to my right again and they'll be happy to provide you assistance in that area.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

[Time: 00:02:04]

Mayor Lane: For the Pledge of Allegiance tonight, we have the honor of having Scottsdale Mayor's Youth Councilmember and Miss Teenage Arizona, Kaitlyn Cai to lead us in the pledge. If you can, please stand.

Scottsdale Mayor's Youth Councilmember, Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen Kaitlyn Cai: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

[Time: 00:02:41]

Kaitlyn Cai: Is it on? Hello everybody. Just as a brief re-introduction, my name is Kaitlyn Cai, I'm a member of the Scottsdale Mayor's Youth Council, which is a youth organization that operates to better the future of Scottsdale and to learn more about our local government. But I'm also Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen which is the teen branch of the Miss America organization, the largest giver of scholarships to young women in the United States. I would just like to say a huge thank you to our City Council and everybody present for not only being invested in the future of this city but for also giving me a chance to speak tonight.

Mayor Lane: Thank you.

INVOCATION

[Time: 00:03:29]

Mayor Lane: And tonight's invocation is from Luke Douglas.

Luke Douglas, Humanist Society of Greater Phoenix: Thank you, Mayor. Rather than bowing our heads or closing our eyes, keep one's eyes open during the invocation and look around at you, at your fellow human beings. Whose ideas stand or fall on their own merit. My reading today is from the 20th century activist. He said "who is to know where mythology leaves off or history begins, or which is which? The first human that rebelled against humanity that he did it so effectively, he won his own kingdom, lucifer." No matter our creed, may we all work together and the fair government under the United States Constitution unite us all and where in society, hearing all voices is not radical. Thank you all.

[Time: 00:05:35]

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Luke. We've got a moment of silence I'd like to consider but first I just want to give you a little bit of background on Michelle Pascarella. Michelle was a Communications Supervisor with the Scottsdale Police Department for almost 20 years who sadly passed away recently. Michelle was a true advocate for all dispatchers who always had an ear to lend and cared for her friends, family and co-workers. Michelle will be very deeply missed, please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers, and if we could take a moment of silence please. Thank you.

MAYOR'S REPORT

[Time: 00:06:01]

Mayor Lane: I want to express our Congratulations to the design and construction team for the Aviation Business Center and Executive Hangars at the Scottsdale Airport. The redevelopment project was recently named the 2019 Best Project in the Airport/Transit Category from Engineering News-Record Southwest, which includes Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico. The team was comprised of staff members from the Scottsdale Aviation Department as well as JE Dunn Construction, DWL Architects & Planners, and Mead & Hunt Inc. Recipients are selected by an independent group of industry leaders in design and construction for overcoming challenges and teamwork, safety, innovation, construction quality & craftsmanship. Again, congratulations to the team on this award! We are all very proud of the Scottsdale Airport and the new Aviation Business Center along with the Veteran's Memorial and if you haven't had a chance to see it, please stop by as it is a great facility. So, congratulations on the Aviation Department, please give them a hand.

PRESENTATIONS/INFORMATION UPDATES

[Time: 00:07:08]

Mayor Lane: We have a couple of presentations. We are going to start with the Thunderbirds presentation of the EMT Cart. And the presenters here are John Bridger, the Thunderbirds Executive Director and Tom Shannon, our Fire Chief.

[Time: 00:07:32]

Fire Chief Tom Shannon: Good evening, Mayor, members of the Council and public. It is my great pleasure to speak glowingly about a corporate public partnership that has existed in Scottsdale for well over 34 years now. The Thunderbirds have been outstanding contributors to public safety especially in the area of fire service delivery and EMS services, particularly, out at the Open but you may not know they have been super supportive over the years in providing capabilities for us to serve you the public. One example of that is right outside and I'm happy to say that that very cart is consigned an actual save and just today, it was used out at Barrett-Jackson, where a critical patient was resuscitated successfully. Without the generosity of the Thunderbirds and carts like that, it would make it very difficult to navigate through these very crowded special events. There is no greater example of the value of these sorts of relationships than that cart that you see right outside.

We want to thank the Thunderbirds for many, many years of partnership, particularly, with the fire department. I'd like to invite the police chief down right now and the Mayor if you wouldn't mind to

specifically call out John. We kind of bird-dogged you here and brought you here and ambushed you. Mr. Bridger has been the Chair of the Thunderbirds effort out at Waste Management Open for how many? 18 years and he has done such an outstanding job of providing what is arguably, the single most significant golfing event in the world. Certainly, a notorious event in Scottsdale and made it superbly, not notorious in a bad way, superbly safe through our partnership, certainly, in fire and EMS. I'm going to step back and let Chief Rodbell say a few words and then if the Mayor would like to make some comments as well about that partnership, and then we've got a couple of things for you.

[Time: 00:09:45]

Police Chief Alan Rodbell: So I'll be very brief, I will add to what the chief said. This is an amazing operation. If you've not been to other places, seen other things, you just don't get it. Our population swells three times the population with those folks on the golf course. It is incredibly safe and incredibly well run and that's because of the leadership of John Bridger and the hard work of the Thunderbirds. And the great partnerships exist, not just with the city partnerships, because all of the city departments are involved but also our partners outside the city limits that come to assist us as this has gotten larger and larger. So John I want to thank you very much for your leadership, your friendship through the years and your support. I want to add that we also received a vehicle for the police department, it is still under construction but will also add to our ability to provide public safety services from a law enforcement side on the grounds of the open as well as other opportunities throughout the City during the season. Thank you very much, John, thank you Chase.

[Time: 00:10:47]

Mayor Lane: Well, I too, would certainly like to recognize the Thunderbirds and what the entire institution has done, and John certainly in the leadership position, in one of the most important events that occurs here in Scottsdale and during a critical time of significant growth and what we were able to accomplish as a team and as a great partnership. It has been an amazing event and it has only gotten more and more amazing under your leadership and frankly, the growth within the city and tourism. It is a critical component for us.

But you are not going to be forgotten. We understand that your appointed replacement, you'll be with him for the next couple of months. We are heartened by that a little bit in that transition so we feel good about that. But it really is going to be changed, there's no doubt. You'll be missed as far as that's concerned. We wish you the very, very best in retirement, whichever way you decide to go, as we were talking earlier. But we do want to thank you on behalf of all of the citizens for what we all have been able to do together but certainly, with your leadership through the Thunderbirds. It has been a great team and great result. So, thank you very, very much.

Chief Shannon: And Mr. Cosby, if you stick around for 18 years, you are going to get the same sort of prizes from us as Mr. Bridger will.

[Inaudible]

Mayor Lane: Another presentation from the American Heart Association. Presenter is Kerrin Kleinschmidt, American Heart Association Vice President.

[Time: 00:15:13]

American Heart Association Vice President Kerrin Kleinschmidt: Thank you very much for having me here today. My name is Kerrin Kleinschmidt and I'm the vice president of health for the American Heart Association in greater Phoenix. I'm here to present an award for the City of Scottsdale. The Silver Recognition for our Workplace Health Achievement Index. This is really an incredible thing because there's less than 20 companies and organizations in the entire state that have received recognition for us for this index. What it means is that you are championing the health of your employees and really working to improve that health and fight the number one killer, which is heart disease. Thank you so much for all that you're doing to improve the health of the community and of your employees. We have an award to present. And then thank you so much because you're going to be participating in the Phoenix Heart Walk this year. It will be amazing to have a team from the City of Scottsdale walking and showing support in the fight against heart disease. Here's the plaque with the Silver Recognition.

Mayor Lane: Thank you for that and the American Heart Association and all that you are doing in that field. Thank you very much and thank you for the honor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

[Time: 00:17:07]

Mayor Lane: Public Comment is reserved for citizen comments regarding non-agendized items with no official council action taken on these items. Comments are limited to issues within jurisdiction of the City Council. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes each, with a maximum of 5 speakers. There will be another opportunity for Public Comment at the end of our meeting. We have two at three minutes each. We will start with Allison Colwell.

[Time: 00:17:52]

Allison Colwell: Good afternoon, Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Littlefield and City Councilmembers. I'm Chair of the Scottsdale Art Advisory Board. Canal Convergence is a partnership with SRP, the City of Scottsdale and Scottsdale Arts to beautify and provide tourism potential for the Scottsdale Waterfront and it is now in its eighth year. We love working with the City of Scottsdale, the TDC and Experience Scottsdale to put on this event. To create a premier destination events to celebrate the arts, to celebrate the community and provide a place for tourism. The strategic vision for this event is a world-class event serving a global and diverse audience with a sustainable business model. I'm here to speak about this fall's Canal Convergence, but first, I want to show you a short video.

You might have noticed that the 2018 Canal Convergence received the very distinguished Gold Grand Pinnacle award from the International Festival of Events and Associations. We are very honored for this. Also, the growth and excitement for this 10-day event has been incredible. In addition to very dramatic and innovative art, we had over 130 programmatic events, events including music, performances, tours, artist talks, and workshops. Attendance was just record-breaking. You can see how in 2012, we had 5600 people to almost 300,000 people attending this past fall. We're very excited that it was a 9% increase from just last year alone.

And then just a quick look at the metrics, of marketing, we had almost two and a quarter million impressions on our social media. It is a tremendous amount of activity. You can see that almost every category that we are tracking increased over last year and definitely over the past couple of years. Also, the press coverage was really exciting. This past year over last year, we more than doubled the amount of media events or media exposure covering the events. So, it is really great growth. Also, we have over 30 very generous partners that help make this such a galvanizing event. We just want to thank you and the public for all of your support.

Mayor Lane: Thank you Ms. Colwell. Next is David Ortega.

[Time: 00:22:16]

David Ortega: Mayor and Council, thank you for your service. David Ortega, citizen. The most basic transaction a citizen, a corporation, a city can do is a real estate transaction. One occurred, called the South Bank, involved city property on the site of the Convergence. The narrative was controlled by a developer. The developer took control of city property and the potential of the Waterfront and the Convergence, which you just heard about. This narrative and how it was shown is illustrated by the developer themselves, who failed to show the property line of the City of Scottsdale. The City of Scottsdale property line is called an alley way presently, it is a right-of-way. Unfortunately, Mayor, Councilwoman Korte, Klapp and Milhaven, you abandoned the city's interests, and 18-20 feet of the potential expansion of the Convergence. That was abandoned by you all in order to give a developer bedrooms and balconies that were encroaching into the canal. That's bad for the City of Scottsdale. You saw the comments how the citizens reacted to that. It's no different than if someone said let's take 16 or 18 feet out of the Preserve. And it's more than that, because that strip is almost 2000 feet long. So we're talking about an exponential benefit when you can grow to 300,000 and it continues to expand.

The main problem in any real estate transaction is that the property line should have been noted. That's why I have question marks here, as well as in front of the street. They did not show the extent of the property. At the other side on Fifth Avenue, the definition of a street is the sidewalks, the on-street parking and the street itself. And when Mr. Unger said we're not going into the street, They were demolishing sidewalks, they were demolishing the off-street parking and that effects everything. So our hope is that as this, and they have threatened to come forward with another development. In no way should they have encroached for private purposes, in no way should the City of Scottsdale abandon our really a strategic tourist and the enjoyment for regular citizens. That occurred also in the Rose Garden, where they also took public parking, unfortunately, with the consent of this Council and it is coming up on appeal. This is the basic problem, any real estate transaction should have defined the property in the interest of both parties in the transaction.

Mayor Lane: Thank you Mr. Ortega.

MINUTES

[Time: 00:25:29]

Mayor Lane: The next order of business we have some Minutes that we need to, a motion to approve. I

will start with a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 25th, 2019, December 3rd 2019, December 4th, 2019 and Special Meeting Minutes of December 4th, 2019. Now these Minutes have been supplied and reviewed by the Council. If there is no adds, deletes or other exceptions to them, I'd accept a motion.

Councilmember Korte: So moved.

Councilman Phillips: Second.

Mayor Lane: Motion's been made and seconded. Motion made by Councilwoman Korte, seconded by Councilman Phillips. All those in favor, please indicate by 'aye.' Those opposed with a nay. It is unanimous on the acceptance of the minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

[Time: 00:26:23]

Mayor Lane: Moving right along to the Consent Items, Items 1-25, we do have a Request to Speak on Item 24, which is the National Wildlife Federation Mayors' Monarch Pledge and adoption of Resolution 11687. We have Mr. Brad Newton here to speak on that. Mr. Newton.

[Time: 00:26:47]

Brad Newton, Keep Scottsdale Beautiful: Good evening, Mayor Lane and honorable members of the Council. My name is Brad Newton and I serve as the current board chairman of Keep Scottsdale Beautiful. Along with my fellow board members, we are here to support Consent Agenda Item Number 24, authorizing Scottsdale to sign the National Wildlife Foundation Mayors' Monarch Butterfly Pledge, because reality, who doesn't like butterflies. Over the past three decades, the monarch butterfly population has declined by 90%. These once frequent visitors to Scottsdale are facing a substantial loss of habitat, not only here, but across the continent. Keep Scottsdale Beautiful is a local non-profit whose mission is to beautify Scottsdale. We engage the community in service to promote a clean, green environmentally sustainable city. A few months ago, a few of my board members approached the Mayor's office to request the city support the National Wildlife Foundation Mayor's Monarch Butterfly Pledge. This pledge requires Scottsdale to commit to creating a few habitats for the monarch butterflies and pollinators, of which the city already has several. I believe Paiute has one, and Granite Reef Senior Citizen's Center has one as well. And also to help educate fellow citizens how they can make a difference. So if the Council votes to support this pledge, Keep Scottsdale beautiful will actively work with the City staff and encourage members of the community to get involved in this important initiative. We thank you for your time and support.

Mayor Lane: Thank you. That completes testimony on the Consent items. Seeing no comments or requests from the Council, I would accept a motion to approve Consent Items 1-25.

Councilmember Korte: So moved.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Second.

Mayor Lane: Motion has been made by Councilmember Korte and seconded by Councilwoman Littlefield. No further comments. All ready then to vote, indicate your vote. It is unanimous. Yes. So, all of the items on Consent have been approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

[Time: 00:29:11]

Mayor Lane: Moving to the Regular Agenda items and if you weren't informed at the outset, last minute, Items 26 and 27, which would be the STR Ventures McKnight rezoning and STR Ventures Main & 1st rezoning, at the request of the applicant are being continued to February 4th. Because of the date and late notice of it, we will ask for a motion to approve that continuance.

Councilwoman Klapp: So moved.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Second.

Mayor Lane: Motion has been made by Councilwoman Klapp and seconded by Councilwoman Littlefield. All please indicate by 'aye' if you approve, and register your vote, nay if you disapprove. It is unanimous again. I'm sorry. Okay. So, those items then will be continued to February 4th.

And we have no further Public Comment, no citizen petition, Mayor or Council items.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:30:28]

Mayor Lane: With that, I would bid you all a good evening and thank you for being here. And I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Klapp: Move to adjourn.

Councilmember Korte: Second.

Mayor Lane: Motion made and seconded, all those in favor of adjournment, please indicate by 'aye.'