



CANDIDATE INFORMATION PAMPHLET

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2026

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All candidates elected in 2026 will begin their terms in January 2027.

Para una versión en español o en letra grande de este folleto, favor de llamar al 480-312-2412, o escribir a la Oficina del Secretario Municipal, 3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd., Scottsdale, Arizona 85251. Una versión en español de este folleto esta disponible en línea al ([Scottsdale.Vote](https://www.scottsdale.vote)) y en los siguientes lugares de Scottsdale:

- Oficina del Secretario Municipal, 3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd., 480-312-2412
- Centro de la Vecindad Paiute, 6535 E. Osborn Road, 480-312-2529
- Centro Comunitario Vista del Camino, 7700 E. Roosevelt St., 480-312-2323
- Biblioteca Appaloosa, 7377 E. Silverstone Drive, 480-312-7323
- Biblioteca Arabian, 10215 E. McDowell Mountain Ranch Road, 480-312-7323
- Biblioteca del Centro Cívico, 3839 N. Drinkwater Blvd., 480-312-7323
- Biblioteca Mustang, 10101 N. 90th St., 480-312-7323

INTRODUCTION

To the Voters of the City of Scottsdale:

This pamphlet provides you with information regarding the City of Scottsdale's November 3, 2026 General Election to elect two Councilmembers. In the July 21, 2026 Primary Election, there were eight residents running for three seats on the City Council. One candidate, Solange Whitehead, received a majority of the legal votes cast in the election and was re-elected. The next four council candidates receiving the highest number of votes, Barry Graham, Bob Littlefield, Michelle Ugenti-Rita and Raoul Zubia advanced to the General Election.

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This pamphlet contains information regarding early voting and identification at the polls. Also included in the pamphlet are statements prepared and submitted by each of the candidates for this election. Candidate statements represent the opinions of the authors and have not been edited or checked for accuracy of content. The order of the candidate statements was determined through a drawing.

All qualified electors of the City, regardless of party registration, may vote for two City Council candidates. A qualified elector of the City is defined as a person, eighteen years of age or older, whose name appears on Maricopa County's list of registered voters in a City of Scottsdale precinct at least 29 days prior to the date of election. To vote in the City's November 3, 2026 General Election, Scottsdale residents must be registered to vote by Monday, October 5, 2026.

Additional information about this election is available through the:
Scottsdale City Clerk's Office
3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85251
480-312-2412 / [Scottsdale.Vote](https://www.scottsdale.vote)

You are encouraged to read all the material contained in this pamphlet and to exercise your right to vote in Scottsdale's November 3, 2026 General Election.

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Sincerely,



Ben Lane
City Clerk

IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 3, 2026 GENERAL ELECTION

The City of Scottsdale will hold a General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 to elect two City Councilmembers. In the July 21, 2026 Primary Election, there were eight residents running for three seats on the City Council. One candidate, Solange Whitehead, received a majority of the legal votes cast in the election and was re-elected. The next four council candidates receiving the highest number of votes, Barry Graham, Bob Littlefield, Michelle Ugenti-Rita and Raoul Zubia advanced to the General Election.

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QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE

To vote in this election, you must be registered to vote within Scottsdale boundaries before midnight on Monday, October 5, 2026. You may check your registration status, track your ballot and more online at [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReady/Vote) or by calling the Maricopa County Elections Department at 602-506-1511.

REQUESTING BALLOTS BE SENT TO AN ALTERNATE (TEMPORARY) ADDRESS

The U.S. Postal Service cannot forward ballots to another address. If you will be out of town and would like to receive a ballot for Scottsdale's General Election at a temporary address, please contact the Maricopa County Elections Department by calling 602-506-1511 or online at [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReady/Vote).

RETURNING VOTED EARLY BALLOTS

Individuals who have signed up to be on the Active Early Voting List (AEVL) within the City of Scottsdale who are eligible to vote in this election will automatically be mailed a ballot beginning Wednesday, October 7, 2026. A voted early ballot must be returned in the ballot affidavit envelope that was provided with the ballot. Make sure to sign, date, and provide a current phone number on your affidavit envelope. To be valid and counted, voted ballots **must be received** by Maricopa County Elections no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026. **Postmarks do not count.**

If you return your voted ballot by mail, be sure to allow sufficient time for delivery. It is recommended to mail your ballot at least 7 days (Tuesday, October 27, 2026) before Election Day. In addition to mailing, voters may drop off voted ballots at any of the voting locations or ballot drop boxes found on page 5.

If your early ballot is destroyed, lost, spoiled, or not received, a replacement ballot may be requested by phone at 602-506-1511 or online at [Maricopa.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/Maricopa.Vote) before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 23, 2026. A replacement ballot also may be obtained at any of the voting locations found on page 5 during the stated hours of operation. **However, replacement ballots cannot be obtained at the Scottsdale City Hall location as this location is a ballot drop-off site only.**

IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION

HOW CAN I CHECK THE STATUS OF MY BALLOT?

Information about the status of your ballot is available online at [BeBallotReady.Vote](#), where you can obtain detailed information, such as the date your ballot was mailed, received, or processed for tabulation.

To check your ballot status, you will need to provide your date of birth, last name, and residence address number. Additionally, you will need to provide one of the following pieces of information: last four digits of your social security number or driver license number. This information is required to positively identify you as the voter and the information you enter must match the information on your voter registration record.

You can also sign up for ballot status text alerts by texting "JOIN" to 628-683.

VOTING LOCATIONS

You can vote at any voting location in Maricopa County. In-person voting will be held at various locations throughout Maricopa County. You can request a replacement ballot, vote in person, or drop off your voted early ballot at the following Scottsdale locations starting Wednesday, October 7, 2026.

- **Florence Ely Nelson Desert Park – 8950 E. Pinnacle Peak Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85255**
- **Indian Bend Wash Visitor Center – 4201 N. Hayden Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251**

Other locations in Scottsdale and Maricopa County can be found by calling 480-312-2412 or online at [Locations.Maricopa.Vote](#). **All voting locations will be open on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026 starting at 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.** Any qualified voter who is in the line of waiting voters at 7:00 p.m. shall be allowed to prepare and cast their ballot. Your Candidate Information Pamphlet may be brought into the voting location and taken into the voting booth.

BALLOT DROP BOXES ONLY

You can drop off your voted ballot at the following locations:

Scottsdale City Hall – 3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd., Scottsdale, AZ 85251

Open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., starting Wednesday, October 7, 2026 through Monday, November 2, 2026. On Tuesday, November 3, 2026, this location will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Maricopa County Tabulation and Election Center – 510 S. 3rd Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85003

24 hours a day, 7 days a week beginning Wednesday, October 7, 2026 through 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

VOTING ASSISTANCE

You may request a Braille or large print ballot by calling 602-506-1511. Voters who need assistance due to a confining illness or disability may request Special Election Board assistance by calling 602-506-1511 or emailing SEB@risc.maricopa.gov by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 23, 2026. Please provide your full name, residence address, date of birth, last four digits of your social security number, and phone number. Accessible voting devices are available at all voting locations, as well as curbside voting for voters who are unable to leave their vehicle due to physical limitations.

KEY ELECTION DATES

Date of Election	Tuesday, November 3, 2026
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In this November General Election, Scottsdale voters will elect two Councilmembers. The two candidates receiving the highest number of legal votes cast will take office in January 2027.

Military and Overseas Ballots Mailed	Saturday, September 19, 2026
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The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) requires that ballots be sent to voters who are active members of the Uniformed Services at least 45 days before an election.

Last Day to Register to Vote	Monday, October 5, 2026
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If you do not know if you are qualified to vote in this election, visit [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReadyVote) or call the Maricopa County Elections Department at 602-506-1511.

Ballots Are Mailed and Early Voting Begins	Wednesday, October 7, 2026
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To track the status of your ballot, visit [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReadyVote) or text "JOIN" to 628-683. In-person voting will be held at various locations throughout Maricopa County.

Last Day to Request Special Election Board Assistance	Friday, October 23, 2026
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Your written or verbal request for voting assistance, due to a confining illness or disability, must be received by the Maricopa County Elections Department by 5:00 p.m. Please call 602-506-1511 or email SEB@risc.maricopa.gov for more information and include your full name, residence address, contact information, and date of birth for verification purposes.

Last Day to Request a Replacement Ballot	Friday, October 23, 2026
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If you do not receive your ballot in the mail or if you need to request a replacement ballot, call 602-506-1511 or go online at [Request.Maricopa.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/RequestMaricopaVote) through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 23, 2026. After Friday, October 23, 2026, you may request a replacement ballot in person at one of the voting locations listed on page 5.

Recommended Date to Mail Completed Ballots	Tuesday, October 27, 2026
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If you return your voted ballot by mail, be sure to allow sufficient time for delivery. It is recommended you mail your ballot at least 7 days before Election Day.

Ballot Must Be Received By	7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 3, 2026
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For your ballot to be valid and counted, your voted ballot and signed affidavit must be received (POSTMARKS DO NOT COUNT) by the Maricopa County Elections Department by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026. You may also deposit your ballot and affidavit at any voting location or drop box location before the 7:00 p.m. deadline.

Election Results	8:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 3, 2026
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Initial election results will be released shortly after 8:00 p.m. To view election results, please visit [Scottsdale.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/ScottsdaleVote).

VOTER IDENTIFICATION AT THE VOTING LOCATIONS

When voting at a voting location, voters shall announce their name and place of residence to the election official and present one form of identification from List 1 OR two different forms of identification from Lists 2 or 3. Please visit [GetID.Maricopa.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/GetID) for more information.

LIST 1 – Acceptable forms of ID with voter’s photograph, name, and address where you are registered to vote (1 required). If the ID is expired or the address on the ID does NOT reasonably match the address on your voter registration record, see List #2 or List #3:

- Arizona driver license
- Arizona non-operating identification card
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- United States federal, state, or local government issued identification

LIST 2 – Acceptable forms of ID (no photo) with voter’s name and address. If the address on the ID does NOT match the address in the Signature Roster, the voter must vote a regular provisional ballot and does NOT have to return. (2 required):

- Voter Registration Card / Recorder’s Certification
- Utility bill of the elector dated within 90 days of the election (may be electric, gas, water, solid waste, sewer, telephone, cellular phone, or cable television)
- Bank or credit union statement dated within 90 days of the election
- Valid Arizona vehicle registration
- Property tax statement with the voter’s name and address
- Tribal identification including Indian census card, tribal enrollment card, or other form of tribal identification without the voter’s photo
- Arizona vehicle insurance card with the voter’s name and address
- Valid United States federal, state, or local government issued identification without a photo
- Any mailing marked “Official Election Material” bearing the elector’s name and address

LIST 3 – Acceptable forms of ID, one with photo, one without (2 required):

- Any valid photo identification from List 1, with an address that does not match the Signature Roster, accompanied by one valid item from List 2
- United States passport and one valid item from List 2
- United States military identification and one valid item from List 2

PROVISIONAL BALLOT

If the voter does not have sufficient identification at the voting location, the voter will be issued a conditional provisional ballot. To be a valid and counted ballot, sufficient identification must be presented to the Maricopa County Recorder before 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 8, 2026.

CANDIDATE FOR CITY COUNCIL



Name: Raoul Zubia
Education: University of Phoenix (BS) Public Administration
Occupation: Retired
Website: zubiaforscottsdale.com
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I am running to secure our water, protect our neighborhoods, the Preserve and restore respect to the City Council. When leadership listens, works together, and stays focused on what matters, there is no limit to what Scottsdale can achieve.

Scottsdale is a community we share and a future we shape together. Right now, I am deeply concerned about our council's direction. Cutting vital water resources and prioritizing political infighting over solutions is not what we should accept from our leaders.

With only two seats open, I am running against two extreme candidates who want to continue the circus on council. The choice couldn't be clearer: do we want more division and chaos, or a return to common-sense leadership?

I am proud to be the only candidate born, raised, and currently living in Scottsdale. But public service is ultimately about who you stand up for. Residents are tired of the drama and feeling unheard. You deserve leaders who listen first, keep open minds, and solve problems the right way.

For more than 25 years in banking and through decades of community service, I have led with that approach. I have served as Chair of the Human Services Commission, Vice Chair of the Protect and Preserve Scottsdale Task Force, and President of Partners for Paiute. I currently serve on the EVIT, Charro, and SUSD Foundations, as well as the Parada Del Sol Committee. Along the way, I have been honored with the Scottsdale Leadership Hodges Alumni Achievement Award and inducted into the Scottsdale History Hall of Fame.

To bring results-driven leadership back to City Hall, I ask for your support. Please vote only for me on your ballot. Through single-shot voting, you can help secure a seat for common-sense leadership. Thank you.

CANDIDATE FOR CITY COUNCIL



Name: Barry Graham

Age: 41

Education: University of Massachusetts (MS) Accounting
Boston University (BA) Economics, International Relations
Chaparral High School

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and Councilman

Website: BarryGrahamResidentsFirst.com

Email: info@BarryGrahamResidentsFirst.com

You deserve an ideology-free City Council accountable to you — not special interests.

That's why I've spent the last four years protecting neighborhoods, defending our open spaces, supporting public safety, and carefully scrutinizing how the city spends your tax dollars.

I've said "no" to high-density projects that threaten our water supply, worsen traffic, and change Scottsdale's character — including Axon's massive 1,900-apartment development.

Saying "no" has made me the target of record dark-money and powerful special-interests. They know I can't be bought or bullied because I work for you.

Despite developers' pressure, Scottsdale is flourishing because I helped:

- Support our police and firefighters — earning my campaign endorsements from both organizations.
- Hire a business-minded City Manager to restore accountability and efficiency.
- Stop funding for "road diets" and city-run homeless shelters while restoring money to our parks and roads.
- Protect neighbors from a controversial roundabout on Scottsdale Road while securing the needed grant funding.
- Expose \$150M in cost overruns, leading to real reforms that are saving taxpayer dollars.
- Crack down on short-term rental (STR) bad actors who disrupt neighborhoods.
- Return city staff to the office and restore merit-based hiring — helping Scottsdale earn Forbes' top public employer ranking.

The results are clear: record tourism and sales-tax collections, home values rising faster than surrounding communities, a strong local economy, and historically low crime. This election decides whether that progress continues.

I grew up in North Scottsdale. Now my wife and I are raising our sons in South Scottsdale. If reelected, I will continue putting residents from every neighborhood first — not just some.

I've kept my word to you — and that is why I ask for your vote.

CANDIDATE FOR CITY COUNCIL



Name: Michelle Ugenti-Rita
Education: B.S. Business Administration from W.P. Carey School of Business, Arizona State University
Occupation: Served Scottsdale for 12 years in the State Legislature. Small Business Owner.
Website: ElectMichelle.com
Email: Michelle@ElectMichelle.com

I am a lifelong Republican running for City Council because we stand at a pivotal moment. The vision of our next leaders will shape our city's future for generations.

As a proven conservative and proud native of Scottsdale, I understand what makes our city exceptional, and what is at stake if we lose our way. Raising my three children here, I am deeply invested in preserving our western charm, commitment to open space, and prosperity.

I have a strong track record of standing up for taxpayers, supporting our vital tourism and arts communities, and delivering real results. Having had the privilege to represent Scottsdale in the legislature for 12 years, I bring the experience and leadership necessary to navigate the immediate and long-term challenges facing our great city.

I firmly oppose rubber-stamping tens of thousands of high-density apartments, including Axon's proposed 1,900-unit development. Growth must be thoughtful and intentional, respecting our Sonoran Desert, protecting neighborhood character, and safeguarding our limited water resources.

I also oppose reckless transportation experiments that don't fit Scottsdale, such as unnecessary roundabouts and eliminating car lanes for bike lanes. Our infrastructure should reflect residents' needs and priorities, not liberal outside agendas.

Public safety is non-negotiable. I'll always stand with law enforcement, ensuring they have the support they need to keep our community safe. I will ensure our laws are enforced and will not tolerate homelessness and panhandling on our streets.

Scottsdale deserves a leader who stands firm, protects our quality of life, and defends the values that make our city one of the nation's best. I'll bring accountability, unity, and principled leadership to the Council.

That's why I'm the only candidate endorsed by: Police Officers of Scottsdale Association, Councilmembers Jan Dubauskas, Barry Graham and Adam Kwasman, and Freedom Club PAC.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

NOTES

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CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT
3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd.
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251



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PLEASE MAKE IT AVAILABLE TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE HOUSEHOLD.

MATERIALES OFICIALES ELECTORALES - SOLAMENTE UN FOLLETO SE HA ENVIADO A CADA DOMICILIO EN EL CUAL RESIDE UN VOTANTE REGISTRADO. FAVOR DE UTILIZARLO PARA TODOS LOS VOTANTES REGISTRADOS EN SU DOMICILIO.