



Approved May 27, 2026

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR SUMMARIZED MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Community Design Studio – Nave
7506 East Indian School Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

PRESENT: Kim Beres, Vice-Chair
Lawrence Beer, Commissioner
Katie Corl, Commissioner
Craig Handzlik, Commissioner
Larry Hewitt, Commissioner

ABSENT: Bridget Schwartz-Manock, Chair
George Spatola, Commissioner

STAFF: Taylor Reynolds, Commission Liaison. Principal Planner
Nick Carroll, Staff Coordinator, Planner
Karen Tyler, Principal Assistant City Attorney

Call to Order

Vice-Chair Beres called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

A formal roll call was conducted, confirming members present as listed above.

Public Comment – Non-Agendized Items

There were no members of the public who wished to speak on Non-Agendized Items.

MINUTES

1. Approval of the March 25, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Hewitt made a motion to approve the March 25, 2026 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Beer. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of five (5) to zero (0) with Vice-Chair Beres, Commissioners Beer, Corl, Handzlik, and Hewitt voting in favor.

* Note: These are summary action minutes only. A complete copy of the meeting audio is available on the Neighborhood Advisory Commission page on ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Neighborhood Advisory Commission"

REGULAR AGENDA

2. 2026 Spirit of Scottsdale Awards Program

Presentation by Nick Carroll, Planner, regarding the 2026 Spirit of Scottsdale Awards Program criteria and timeline. The Neighborhood Advisory Commission reviewed and discussed the 2026 Spirit of Scottsdale Awards Program criteria and timeline and provided the following suggestions related to program outreach and increasing nominations:

- Use recent award winner's role as a Neighborhood Watch captain to help promote the program through the broader Neighborhood Watch network and encourage nominations citywide
- Consider drafting an op-ed on behalf of the Commission, or inviting a previous award winner to prepare one, to help promote the program
- Have the Office of Communications coordinate with a local newspaper on an article about the program
- Keep the Commission informed of nomination numbers throughout the year in case additional outreach is needed to encourage more nominations

Commissioner Hewitt made a motion to approve the 2026 Spirit of Scottsdale Awards Program criteria and timeline as presented by staff. Seconded by Commissioner Handzlik. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of five (5) to zero (0) with Vice-Chair Beres, Commissioners Beer, Corl, Handzlik, and Hewitt voting in favor.

3. Scottsdale Neighborhoods Overview

Presentation by Nick Carroll, Planner, regarding Scottsdale neighborhoods, including demographic and housing information, code enforcement activity, short-term rental information, and City website tools available to assist community members, such as permitting information, code enforcement, and service requests.

General discussion by the Commission followed regarding the information presented, including dwelling unit classifications, broader citywide housing patterns, senior living facilities, and discrepancies between short-term rental figures reported in news coverage and City licensing records.

4. Commissioner Items

No Commissioner Items were submitted to staff for consideration. As such, no action was taken.

5. Staff Updates

Taylor Reynolds, Commission Liaison, introduced the newest member of the Commission, Commissioner Lawrence Beer. He then provided a status update on the Shade & Tree Plan, noting that the public comment forum had closed and that the item was scheduled for Development Review Board consideration on May 7, 2026. Mr. Reynolds also noted that the next meeting of the Commission would be held on May 27, 2026.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Vice-Chair Beres moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Beer. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.