



City of Scottsdale
Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting

Wednesday, August 19, 2026, 4 p.m.
McDowell Mountain Ranch Aquatic Center
15525 N. Thompson Peak
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

*As a member of the Scottsdale community, I will genuinely listen;
speak respectfully; and be accountable for my words and actions.*

McDowell Mountain Ranch Aquatic Center is open to the public during the Parks and Recreation Commission Retreat. The retreat is a Work Study Session, with information provided in a more casual format, and no formal action will be taken at the meeting on any of the agenda items.

Times noted for each agenda item are approximate; actual timing may vary based on length of discussion.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Chair Michael Vreeland, Vice Chair Amy Arnold, Commissioners Jamie Alford, Sandy Kull, Susan McGarry, Teresa Kim Quale, Eric Maschhaupt

PUBLIC COMMENT

To provide an opportunity for public input yet continue to maximize the amount of time available for the Parks and Recreation Commission to receive information and have focused discussions, only written public comment is being accepted on the item(s) on today's work study/retreat agenda. If you have thoughts or suggestions on the work study session/retreat item(s) you would like the Commission to consider, you are encouraged to submit your written comment(s) electronically by clicking [here](#) no later than 90 minutes before the meeting.

Written comment cards will also be accepted at the meeting on the work study session/retreat item(s). Blue cards will be available and may be submitted to City Staff at any time. Cards submitted after public testimony has begun will be provided to the Parks and Recreation Commission at the conclusion of the testimony for that item. Arizona State law prohibits the Parks and Recreation Commission from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda.

AGENDA

1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS (4 – 4:15 p.m.)

Staff will provide opening remarks and an overview of the Parks & Recreation and Preserve Department.

Information and discussion

2. COMMISSION BEST PRACTICES (4:15 – 4:30 p.m.)

Staff will provide a refresher on Robert's Rules of Order, guidelines, and best practices for Commissioners.

Information and discussion

3. FY 2025/26 ANNUAL REPORT (4:30 – 4:50 p.m.)

Staff will provide an overview of the Parks & Recreation 2025/26 Annual Report to the Community outlining major accomplishments from the previous fiscal year

Information and discussion.

4. GOALS AND VISION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 (4:50 – 5:10 p.m.)

Staff will discuss short-term department objectives for the current fiscal year, as well as long-range visionary goals for the future.

Information and discussion

5. COMMISSION SCHEDULE AND TOPIC PLANNING (5:10 – 5:30 p.m.)

Staff will provide an overview of tentative future Parks and Recreation Commission agenda items and open discussion on areas of interest for deeper exploration.

Information and discussion

6. PARKS AND HISTORICAL PRESENTATION (5:30 - 6 p.m.)

Staff will provide a presentation on the history of Scottsdale's Parks & Recreation Department. This presentation will touch on key milestones, facility openings, special events, and development of the Indian Bend Wash

Information and discussion

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting



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