



City of Scottsdale
McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission

Regular Meeting Notice and Agenda

Thursday, October 3, 2024 – 5:00 p.m.

Granite Reef Senior Center – Room 1

1700 N. Granite Reef Road

Scottsdale, AZ 85257

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Chairperson, Steve Coluccio, Vice-chair Kerry Olsson, Commissioners Savannah Engelking, Mark Hackbarth, Robert Hallagan, Susan Hirschmann, and Ryan Rybarczyk,

One or more members of the public body may be attending the meeting by telephone, video, or internet conferencing, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431(4)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizens may address the members of McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission during Public Comment. This “Public Comment” time is reserved for citizen comments regarding non-agendized items. Arizona State law prohibits McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda. Citizens may complete one Request to Speak “Public Comment” card per meeting and submit it to City Staff. Public testimony is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Written comment cards are being accepted for both agendized and non-agendized items and may be submitted to City Staff at any time. Cards submitted after public testimony has begun will be provided to the Public Body at the conclusion of the testimony for that item.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes – [September 5, 2024](#)

Commission Actions: Discussion and possible action

5. McDOWELL SONORAN CONSERVANCY UPDATE

Conservancy staff will update the Commission on recent activities and issues for the McDowell Sonoran Conservancy.

Commission Action: Information only

6. CITY OF SCOTTSDALE SHADE AND TREE PLAN – [View Presentation](#)

Tim Conner, Environmental Policy Manager for the City will introduce Justin Azevedo with the Design Laboratory to provide a brief presentation on the progress to develop a Shade and Tree Plan for the City.

Commission Action: Information and discussion

7. ECOLOGICAL RESOURCES PLAN PROCESS UPDATE – [View Document](#)

Staff will provide a review of the on-going process for the Preserve 2024 ERP.

Commission Action: Information, discussion, and possible action

8. UPCOMING 2025-26 BUDGET PROCESS UPDATE

Staff will provide a review of the upcoming process for the Preserve 2025-26 Budget

Commission Action: Information and discussion

9. STAFF REPORTS

Staff will update the Commission on projects, activities, events, and other information relating to the Preserve.

- Brown's Ranch Interpretive Trail
- Protect the Parks and Preserve Process Update

Commission Action: Information and discussion

10. UPCOMING MEETING DATES, LOCATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

All Dates listed are Tentative and subject to amendment:

- Fall Regular Meetings
 - November 7

Commission Action: Discuss the details for future meeting dates, times, and processes.

11. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioners may provide information on items of interest to the Commission.

Commission Actions: Information only

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Actions: Motion to adjourn

The Commission cannot discuss or vote on items not on the agenda, including items brought up as Commission or public comments. If action by the Commission is required, the item should be placed on the next meeting's agenda to be consistent with the Arizona Open Meetings Law.



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