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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:02]

Mayor Borowsky: Good afternoon. I would like to call the June 23, 2026 City Council Special Meeting to order. City Clerk, Ben Lane, may I please have a roll call.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Ben Lane: Thank you, Mayor. Mayor Lisa Borowsky.

Mayor Borowsky: Present.

Ben Lane: Vice Mayor Maryann McAllen.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Present.

Ben Lane: Councilmembers Jan Dubauskas.

Councilwoman Dubauskas: Here.

Ben Lane: Barry Graham.

Councilman Graham:

Ben Lane: Councilmember Adam Kwasman.

Councilman Kwasman: Here.

Ben Lane: Councilmember Kathy Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield:

Ben Lane: Maryann McAllen.

Councilwoman McAllen: Present.

Ben Lane: And Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Here.

Ben Lane: City Manager Greg Caton.

City Manager Greg Caton: Here.

Ben Lane: City Attorney Luis Santaella.

City Attorney Luis Santaella: Here.

Ben Lane: And the Clerk is present. Thank you, Mayor.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you very much and this afternoon we have boards, commissions, and task force interviews and appointments. This is an opportunity for the Council to interview each board and commission nominee and go ahead and make appointments at the conclusion of those interviews. And I would like to turn this over to Vice Mayor McAllen to proceed.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS

[Time: 00:01:03]

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mayor. The Scottsdale City Council is responsible for establishing City policies and enacting laws in support of those policies. The Council relies on volunteer, citizen-based

boards and commissions to research issues and make recommendations in support of the Council's mission and goals. The information and recommendations provided by City Council-appointed advisory boards is a valuable tool in helping Councilmembers in their deliberations.

This afternoon, the City Council will be appointing Scottsdale residents interested in serving on various boards and commissions. I want to thank the individuals for their willingness to volunteer their time in service to this community. Following the set of interviews, we'll vote on an appointment for the board or commission.

As I call your name, please approach the podium which will be on this side, and briefly cover the following questions: For the record, you will state your name, your address and how long you have lived in Scottsdale. Please tell us how your education, employment, or volunteer experience which relates to the board or commission that you are applying for, and what the top issue facing this board or commission is. Please limit your comments to two minutes. We will have a timer listed up there so you can see where you are at in your presentation.

BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD OF APPEALS

So, our first commission is the Building Advisory Board of Appeals, and there is one opening. The Building Advisory Board of Appeals has the jurisdiction to recommend that minor variances in the electrical, plumbing and mechanical application of the Building Code be granted and that alternative construction methods or materials be allowed. There is one vacancy and one nominee. That nominee is James Meyer. James Meyer.

[Time: 00:03:05]

James Meyer: Thank you very much. James Meyer. My address is 18245 North Pima Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, 85255. I have lived in Scottsdale for probably like ten years. And I personally think that the issues facing this are substitution of products. We're here in Scottsdale, to preserve the beauty and everything, and it kind of gives construction a bad name when people maybe go a different route and substitute products for inferior products to maybe make deals or something along those lines.

And I think that to preserve the beauty that is Scottsdale, there can't be these substitutions without someone overseeing them. And I'm really fast. So, you're welcome, guys.

Vice Mayor McAllen: And are there any questions for Mr. Meyer, I apologize for pronouncing your name incorrectly.

James Meyer: That's okay.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Okay. Per Council rules, since there's one single nominee, I motion to forgo individual voting...

Councilman Kwasman: Second.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you. All in favor. Say aye or o we have to do a roll call vote. Thank you, Mr. Meyer, you were appointed.

James Meyer: Thank you.

CITIZENS BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Vice Mayor McAllen: Our next committee is the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee, and we have one opening. The Citizens Bond Oversight Committee shall receive reports on the City's progress in implementing the Bond Program, review any proposed budget changes to the program and provide such comments to the City Council with respect to the bond program as the committee deems appropriate. There is one vacancy and three nominees. The nominees are: Brandon Alsayed, Kathryn Wills, and Joe DuBois, whose term expires in June but is eligible for reappointment. We will start with Joe DuBois.

[Time: 00:05:38]

Joe DuBois: Well, as an attorney, I often say I can't say my name in two minutes, but I will do the best I can. Mayor Borowsky and members of the City Council, my name is Joe DuBois, and I have been a resident of Scottsdale since 2018. I live in the Troon Villages area of north Scottsdale.

Since becoming a resident of Scottsdale, I have successfully completed the Scottsdale Government 101, and more recently, last month, I completed the Scottsdale Citizens Police Academy. I do believe that my business and professional experiences offer significant qualifications for successful service on the committee. I'm currently completing my initial three-year term as a member of the committee and during my tenure, I served as the Vice Chair and the Chair of the committee and I was recently selected in February by my colleagues to serve a second term as chair, a position which I currently hold.

I'm a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. Upon graduation from the academy, was a second lieutenant in the Army and later joined the Army Rangers. I had the Army Commendation Medal and two Bronze Star awards among others. After the Army, my legal career afforded me the opportunity to concentrate on civil litigation matters and of particular relevance to this committee, I dealt with questions, controversies, and litigation surrounding public works projects.

I've also had significant experiences in civic and business affairs. For example, I served two terms as the CFO for the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce, with responsibility for preparing and managing the annual budget for the Chamber, representing some 1,200 business members. I was also elected to serve two separate terms as the Chairman of the Board of the Chamber.

Lastly, my sense of the most significant issue facing the committee moving forward, is to successfully navigate the challenges presented by the current inflationary environment as it impacts the 2019 Bond funds authorization, and the many inquiries from our fellow citizens that we receive on that issue.

In closing, I just want to thank you for your attention and consideration of my application for this committee. And I will take any questions.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Any questions? Okay. Thank you, Mr. DuBois. Okay. Next...

Councilman Graham: Councilman Barry Graham is here.

Mayor Borowsky: Sorry to interrupt Vice Mayor. Let the record reflect that Councilwoman Littlefield has also joined us.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you. Next is and I'm probably pronouncing this name wrong, Brandon Alsayed.

[Time: 00:08:42]

Brandon Alsayed: Good afternoon, my name is Brandon Alsayed. It's phonetic. I've lived in Scottsdale for five years, I'm at the address 8547 East Via de Los Libros in McCormick Ranch. I plan to build my life, my career, and my family, projects funded through this bond program are projects that my family and I will see and use for decades. That's why I'm interested in serving on this board professionally I serve as a chief financial officer for a local cabinet supplier. We do both residential and commercial projects. My professional background also includes commercial banking and real estate. I believe those experiences align closely with the mission of this committee. Every day, I work on managing budgets, monitoring project costs and analyzing variances, just as importantly I regularly translate complex financial data into clear, actionable insights for decision-makers like you.

If appointed, my goal would be to provide thoughtful, independent oversight, while working collaboratively with city staff, fellow committee members and the Council. I believe residents deserve a clear understanding of how bond dollars are being spent, how projects are progressing and what challenges are or opportunities may lie ahead.

The top issue facing this committee is ensuring it delivers on the promises made to Scottsdale voters with \$319 million invest across 58 projects residents deserve a clear understanding of what has been completed, what remains to be done, and how public funds are being managed along the way.

I care deeply about Scottsdale's future because this is my community. The decisions made today will shape our city for years to come and I would be honored to contribute my financial experience and analytical perspective to help ensure these projects deliver value for Scottsdale residents. Thank you for your consideration.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Brandon. Any questions for Brandon. Okay. Thank you so much. Our next, I know I got this one right! Kathryn Wills.

[Time: 00:11:03]

Kathryn Wills: Good afternoon, Mayor and Councilmembers, my name is Kathy Wills. I'm a native of Scottsdale. I lived here 55. I live at 9595 Jenna Drive where I have been for 26 years. Thank you for the opportunity to be considered for the Citizen Bond Oversight Committee.

I have spent almost 35 years in banking and I'm currently the managing director for Arizona's private banking group at MidFirst Bank and my career has centered on financial analysis, risk assessment, accountability, client advising and stewardship of significant financial resources. Every day I work with complex financial decisions, evaluate long-term impacts and help ensure sound and responsible outcomes.

In addition to my professional experience, I have served on numerous nonprofit and community boards where I have been responsible for governance, oversight, budgeting and strategic planning and these experiences have re-enforced the importance for me of transparency, asking thoughtful questions and ensuring public funds are used as intended. I also teach a financial literacy class to a nonprofit in Phoenix.

I understand there's a highly qualified incumbent serving as Chair who has reapplied and I appreciate the experience and the continuity that long-term volunteers bring to the city and I don't want to diminish that service but express my interest in should the Council believe that my background could add value now or in the future.

If selected, I would bring an independent perspective, strong financial acumen and a commitment to serving the residents of our great city with integrity and diligence. Thank you for your consideration and for your service to our community.

[Time: 00:12:57]

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you Kathy, any questions for Kathy? Okay. Then at this time, I will entertain a vote for the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee. Each Councilmember may vote for one nominee, and I will start with Councilman Kwasman.

Councilman Kwasman: Thank you, Madam Vice Mayor, I want to say that these three nominees are outstanding. If you are not chosen today, please reapply. This is the type of caliber, all three of you, are 100% wonderful. Okay? This is the type of caliber all three of you that Scottsdale is able to produce, and this is exactly why we have been so successful as a city. So please, please, do not be disheartened today if you do not get chosen.

And then one other thing, Mr. DuBois we live in a world where not enough people appreciate what a Bronze Star is and having a West Point education means. And I really think that we need to make sure that those, not only on this dais but everybody in the community understands what it is that you have done and what you are and with that I will vote for Mr. DuBois.

Vice Mayor McAllen: And Councilwoman Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Joe DuBois. A couple more positions open later this year, and you are already in the hat. So don't even worry and I agree that we have some very qualified candidates always. So glad to have you here.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Mayor.

Mayor Borowsky: It's a tough one. I would like to vote for all three of you. But I'm going to vote for Kathy Wills. Having nothing to do with the other two candidates, excellent presentations.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Councilwoman Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: I will vote for Joe DuBois, but I hope all three are excellent and I hope they keep their names in the hat for the future. Thank you.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Councilman Graham, can you hear me?

Councilman Graham: Yeah, can you hear me, Vice Mayor? Mr. DuBois, thank you.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you and Councilwoman Dubauskas.

Councilwoman Dubauskas: I will echo the comments already made. Thank you for your contributions to our country and city. We have wonderful candidates for the city, I hope you all stay on. Joe DuBois.

Vice Mayor McAllen: And the Vice Mayor will vote for Joe DuBois. So, Mr. DuBois, you are reappointed. Thank you all. Like Councilwoman Whitehead said, there will be three openings, we believe, in this specific commission. So, your names will stay in. So please come back. Thank you. Moving on to the next.

[Time: 00:15:34]

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Historic Preservation Commission. We have one opening. The Historic Preservation Commission advises the Planning Commission and the City Council on all matters concerning historic and archaeological preservation. The Commission's focus is to implement the ordinance process for identifying Scottsdale's historical, archaeological, and cultural resources, promote an awareness of them for future generations and to recommend programs to achieve community goals for their preservation and conservation.

Special Qualifications: As outlined in the Scottsdale City Code, each member shall have demonstrated special interest, knowledge or experience in at least one of the following: Building construction, history,

architectural history, real estate, historic preservation law or other historic preservation-related fields. There is one vacancy and one nominee. The nominee is: John Duncan. Did you get your name right, Mr. Duncan?

[Time: 00:16:42]

John Duncan: You sure did.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you.

John Duncan: I'm John Andrew Duncan but go by Andy. So, you got two-thirds of it right, that's good. I live on North Miller Road, 85251. I'm a graduate of the school of architecture in Austin, Texas, I've been an architect most recently and have worked in the profession since 1982. I've been here in Scottsdale for the last four years and have worked on various building types and most recently worked with a developer here in Scottsdale who is working on a project close to Papago.

I've engaged with some of the Planning Commission members here at the city, because I work also as an architectural advisor to our homeowner's association for the little community just north and east of year, which is called Villa Monterey. I've enjoyed living this and I really have been quite surprised at the prowess of the city of Scottsdale. I wish I could read what Ms. McAllen's notes have said, because I couldn't have put it so eloquently. But I have a strong interest in architecture, strong interest in planning, and a very strong interest in archaeology and I respect whatever has been done and hopefully I can support the commission, the historical commission in their endeavors.

I've attended some of their meetings only to be turned away because there wasn't a meeting. So, I know if I do get voted in, I won't have to work too hard because there aren't very many meetings.

I don't know what's facing the you know, the top issues are but I look forward to learning if I am that fortunate.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mr. Duncan. Are there any questions for Andy? Okay. That being said, per Council rules there's only one single nominee, I motion to forgo individual voting and appointments through affirmation.

Councilman Kwasman: Second.

Vice Mayor McAllen: All those in favor, aye. You are appointed, Andy. Thank you for applying. Okay.

[Time: 00:19:19]

LOSS TRUST FUND BOARD

The Loss Trust Fund Board. There is one opening. Required by State Statute, the Loss Trust Fund Board

makes recommendations to the City Council regarding the administration of the Loss Trust Fund. The trustees shall meet at least once a year and submit a report to the City Council regarding the status of the trust fund. The report shall also include recommendations the trustees deem necessary.

Special Qualifications: As specified in the Scottsdale City Code, the City Council shall appoint five joint trustees, of whom no more than one shall be a member of the City Council and no more than one trustee may be a City employee. There is one vacancy and one nominee. Edee Dunning is applying and she is participating electronically. Ms. Dunning?

[Time: 00:20:10]

Edee Dunning: Yes, I'm here. Thank you very much. I apologize I could not be there today. Okay. Thank you. Good afternoon, Mayor and Councilmembers, my name is Edee Dunning, my address is 12145 East Gold Dust Avenue in Scottsdale. I'm celebrating 20 years working and living in Scottsdale. I have been in the insurance industry for over 40 years and everything from claim, risk control, underwriting, and most recently, the Senior Vice President over middle market for the mountain west region for Travelers Insurance before retiring just two years ago.

So, my responsibilities are or were large commercial. I also had technology, excess umbrella and public sector. So, I'm very familiar with the risk management and the exposures and all what goes into underwriting cities. I have several professional designations that I've earned throughout my career, including my MBA, and I've also been involved in several volunteer opportunities, including a few HOAs, nonprofits in both Arizona and Utah where we do split some of our time in the summer.

Some the top issues facing the board and what I see are the increasing risk factors the city is exposed to as we grow. So, in my view, the largest issue is protecting the city. Amongst the growth that is happening and the growing population and expansion of infrastructure, and managing costs and benefits and the insurance mark, we all know, whether we are looking at individuals or public sector, but the premiums continue to increase. So, the importance of balancing that and the self-retention with the could have of all of these nuclear verdicts that we're now seeing handed down need to be handled carefully with the risk manager and the actuary and commission.

And that expertise that I bring carrier knowledge in the marketplace that we are, in the cycles that we go through, expertise in the risk management in cities and municipalities, as well as being on boards for nonprofit and profit organizations. And also understanding adequate funding from a governance perspective in order to achieve the risk and reward. I'm not as familiar with the health and benefits, but I will tell you, I'm extremely impressed with how the city promotes wellness and preventative care with the high cost today of the care of employees. And I just want to thank you for this opportunity to be considered for this board for our wonderful city. Thank you.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Ms. Dunning. Do we have any questions for Ms. Dunning. Anyone? Okay, per the Council rules since there's one single nominee, I motion to forgo individual voting...

Councilman Kwasman: Second.

Vice Mayor McAllen: And appointment through affirmation. It's been first and seconded. All those in favor, aye. Okay, Ms. Dunning, welcome to the Loss Trust Fund Board. You have been appointed. Thank you. Okay.

And with that, this concludes our appointment process for today. I would like to thank all our nominees for their interest in serving on a city board or commission. Please keep your name in the hat for upcoming openings and we are just very fortunate to have such involved citizens and people who want to continue to keep Scottsdale the great city it is.

A staff member will contact the individuals who have been appointed this evening and provide them with the information and next steps regarding their appointments.

The city of Scottsdale is, again, grateful for this opportunity to have met all of you and we look forward to those of you who weren't appointed to your opportunity to serve in the future. Mayor?

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you very much. With that, I will move to adjourn and congratulations to all the appointees.

Councilwoman Whitehead: I will second.

Mayor Borowsky: Any opposition? All right. We're done.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:24:24]