
This document was created from the closed caption transcript of the October 6, 2026 City Council Special Meeting has not been checked for completeness or accuracy of content.

A copy of the agenda for this meeting, including a summary of the action taken on each agenda item, can be accessed through the City Clerk Archived Documents Search at:

<https://eservices.scottsdaleaz.gov/cityclerk/DocumentSearch>

An unedited digital video recording of the meeting, which can be used in conjunction with the transcript, is available online at:

<https://ww2.scottsdaleaz.gov/scottsdale-video-network/Council-video-archives/2026-archives>

For ease of reference, included throughout the transcript are bracketed “time stamps” [Time: 00:00:00] that correspond to digital video recording time.

For more information about this transcript, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 480-312-2411.

CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:06]

Mayor Borowsky: Good afternoon, I would like to call the October 6, 2026 City Council Special Meeting and Possible Executive Session, a probable Executive Session to order. City Clerk Ben Lane may I please have the roll call.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Ben Lane: 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 is here, we are having technical issues he is virtual, but Barry Graham is in attendance. Councilmember Adam Kwasman.

Councilman Kwasman: Here.

Ben Lane: Kathy Littlefield.

Councilwoman Littlefield: Here.

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: Present.

Ben Lane: City Treasurer Sonia Andrews.

City Treasurer Sonia Andrews: Here.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

[Time: 00:00:52]

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you. I will entertain a motion to recess into Executive Session to discuss and consult with the city's attorneys for legal advice and to consider the city's position and provide possible instruction to the city's attorneys regarding matters arising from the proposed Northside Apartments, multi-family conversion/adaptive reuse project, which is located at 13875 Northside Boulevard and this includes issues related to the application of ARS-9-462.10, which is the adaptive reuse and multi-family conversion statute, and the potential filing of a complaint under ARS 41-194.01 entitled the 1487 complaint captioned, I should say, regarding the city's interpretation and application of ARS 9-462.10 to this project. And I will entertain that motion.

Councilwoman Whitehead: So moved.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Second.

Mayor Borowsky: All right. All in favor? There we go. Thank you, we are recessed into Executive Session.

RECONVENE SPECIAL MEETING

[Time: 00:03:09]

Mayor Borowsky: Good afternoon, we are back, and Executive Session has adjourned and now I would like to reconvene the Special Meeting and for the record, all Council members are almost present.

This afternoon the Council will hear from several of the city's Boards, commissions and committees for their 2025 Annual Reports, which will include presentations, discussion, and possible direction regarding key accomplishments, major actions taken, upcoming opportunities, challenges and/or outcomes.

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION

So with that, I see we have Rick Wielebsky.

Staff Representative Rick Wielebsky: Almost, Madam Mayor. We'll get on the same page. Thanks. Honorable Mayor, members of the City Council, thank you for having us this afternoon, we are here to tell you about the Airport Advisory Commission, here with me, April and she'll take it away.

Chair April Beauboeuf: Thank you. Good afternoon, so I'm going to speak to you a little bit about the Airport Advisory Commission. If you would go to the next slide.

So, the purpose of the Commission and its makeup, the Airport Advisory Commission advises on various aspects of airport operations, fees and safety concerns, as well as proposals for development at the airport and in the case in case as needed, presenting working with the airport team to present recommendations to you at the Council. The current oh, sorry. Sorry, one second. We'll go back really quick. Whoops. Too far back.

We have seven members, and we advise, on a number of related issues. So, some of the key accomplishments in the last year have been the approval of the five-year capital improvement program for FY25-26 to FY29-30. Rehabilitation of gate 1 and bypass taxi lane. Most importantly, I would call out the airport continues to be a self-sustaining enterprise fund. There are no general fund dollars used to operate or manage the airport.

Current and future opportunities, we are going to be working on the complete aircraft and vehicle gate improvement project, the purchased demolition and construction of a new parking area. The Runway 321 rehabilitation project. The purchase of two new airport operations vehicles, the installation of tracking on those operational vehicles and installation of two new taxiways. Execution of the airport master plan, a 20-year planning document, and as part of that new airport master plan, there are sections in there on the airport and our park land usage, how to address the new generation of business aircraft and updated airport

layout plan. Questions, comments, feedback?

Mayor Borowsky: Let's see. I don't have any questions at the moment. Any feedback? That was excellent. That was very quick.

Rick Wielebsky: Quick and easy.

Mayor Borowsky: Sounds like success. Thank you very much, April and Rick.

Rick Wielebsky: Thank you.

April Beauboeuf: Thank you.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

[Time: 00:06:23]

Mayor Borowsky: Next the Board of Adjustment, and to present we have Bryan Cluff, Planning and Development Area Manager and Chair Martha West.

Staff Representative Bryan Cluff: Thank you, and good afternoon, Mayor Borowsky and members of the Council, I'm Bryan Cluff with the city's Planning Department and with me this afternoon is Martha West, the Chair of the Board of Adjustment. If we could go to the next slide, I'll provide a brief introduction of the Board and turn it over to Chair West.

The Board of Adjustment has a very specific duties laid out by the city's zoning ordinance and land division ordinance. That is to hear variances from the provisions of the zoning ordinance, appeals of zoning administrator's interpretations and decisions of the zoning ordinance, also requests for disability accommodations and then within the land division ordinance appeals of general managers decision or interpretations related to that. The Board of Adjustment is unique and that it's a quasi-judicial body and does require four votes in the affirmative to grant relief for theses codes and ordinances. They are a seven-member Board appointed by the City Council. With that, I'll turn it over to Chair West.

Chair Martha West: Thank you. Mayor Borowsky, members of the City Council, I think the only thing I would add in terms of our Board vote is we are happy that we are now a seven-member board again, for quite some time we had six members, and I think our 7th member was just appointed. I think come November we will have a full seven members. That greatly helps us because of that requirement of a four affirmative votes for any given decision.

Our key accomplishments, because we are so tied to the rules, the statutory rules, our accomplishments really are that we in 2025 we met, we had six meetings in a 12-month period, we had 12 cases, and all of them were variance cases from the zoning ordinance, and six cases were approved and six cases were denied. And when we begin to speak about upcoming opportunities, the majority of our members have been on the our Board

for less than two years. So, we are delighted and appreciative of our city staff members, Bryan and his folks in helping us understand our responsibilities. When it comes to disability accommodation cases, we do need to understand federal and state disability accommodation statutory rules. Some of us have expertise or personal professional knowledge of our zoning ordinance and some of us do not. The so it is, again, hugely helpful when staff is able to give us guidance.

And I must say from a personal perspective, I see that when I read a a staff report, I often have questions, and I refer those questions through Bryan to the coordinator, and those answers always come to us in a timely fashion. Are so thank you very much for that.

We will also be receiving training for our members, additional on the Rules of Procedure, because I think especially for new members, sometimes that is a new thing that requires some actual sophistication, knowledge and so we appreciate that information coming to us through city staff. I think that is everything I have today, and I'm happy to answer any questions.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you, Martha and thank you Bryan. I do see Vice Mayor McAllen would like to say something.

][Time: 00:10:42[

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you, Mr. Cluff and thank you, Martha. Thank you for so many years of service, being a former city employee for so many years and your dedication to Scottsdale, to come back and have to deal with the not pleasant side of it and make sure that people are following the ordinances. I am just appreciative of your dedication to Scottsdale, thank you.

Martha West: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Councilman Graham.

Councilman Graham: Was there any tie votes being six members for so long?

Martha West: Excuse me.

Councilman Graham: Was there a lot of tie votes?

Martha West: Yes. In 2026, we have had two tie votes ask where we had six members available to us, but votes of 3-3. Now our applicants may choose to come back at a meeting where there is a full seven-member Board and be reheard.

Councilman Graham: How did you break the tie, rock, paper, scissors or anything?

Martha West: No. It literally is a tie, which means there is no decision. And so the applicant has the opportunity to come back when we have a full seven-member board, which I hope they do, because I think

being left in limbo is not a good place to land.

Councilman Graham: I'm glad we filled that final one out. Thank you for your service.

Martha West: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: That's all I see. Thank you so much.

Martha West: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Very well done.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

[Time: 00:12:18]

Next, we have the Development Review Board, and presenters are Brad Carr, Planning and Development Area Manager and Vice Chair Jeff Brand. Welcome, gentlemen.

Staff Representative Brad Carr: Thank you and good afternoon, again, honorable Mayor and members of Council. Brad Carr with the Planning Department. I'm pleased to have joining me this afternoon Mr. Jeff Brand, who really doesn't need an introduction, but he's well known in these chambers and across the city and the state and internationally as well. Thank you for joining us this afternoon. While Mr. Brand has recently been appointed to the Planning Commission, he has been gracious in giving us his time this afternoon to talk about the DRB. I'll give a brief presentation about what the DRB is and what we have done the last year and where we are going and let Mr. Brand give some insight as well. With that, I'll go ahead and talk about the DRB.

It is a seven-member Board, that's made up of five appointed members at large by is it Council with one City Council member and one Planning Commissioner rotating through membership every three months. The purpose of that Board has changed over the years. This is a board that's been around for over 50 years. While it started specifically in the downtown area, has expanded to the entire city. The purpose really hasn't changed, they are there to make development better for the city, make sure the city has high-quality development and so while that composition may have changed over the years, their review of site plans, building design, landscaping is really just there to help make this a premiere community that it is in Scottsdale.

Some of the accomplishments they looked at over the last year, review and approval of the park phase I, large project there, former Crackerjack site. The 5th and Goldwater mixed use site here in old town at Goldwater and Indian School. Fairmont Princess expansions, the guest tower and conference center. And the BB Living at Cavasson project. They've reviewed their recent Papago Village under construction on Oak, west of 64th Street.

So upcoming opportunities, challenges, what's really going to be the biggest thing driving the change for the

DRB in the coming year, is a restructuring that's a requirement now has a result of state law. State law has taken away the ability for the DRB to act as a Board that reviews projects at large and that will become a Board that review projects on appeal of certain design decisions different from our code would suggest they should be. And so now instead of just saying looking at a project with suggestions how to make it better. The DRB will only be available to look at projects on an appeal basis. That requires us as staff to and the City Council to approve a reconstitution of the design standards and the zoning ordinance and the DRB as a whole. Unique are opportunity for the City Council and the citizens to look at where the city is in design standards and improve on those if necessary or make a recommitment to that quality standard we have.

The ongoing commitment by the DRB to enact the quality design will be there in development. That's one of the focal points that I think Jeff has had and everybody in the DRB has had over the years is the commitment the high-quality design. With that, I'll turn it over to you, Mr. Brand.

[Time: 00:15:57]

Vice Chair Jeff Brand: Thank you. Thank you, Mayor, Council. I'll try to comment and not be clouded by my international fame. So, I appreciate the introduction, Brad. It's interesting by the way, thank you, it's been a pleasure to serve the community over the past six years as part of Chairing the Development Review Board, a critical time now more than ever for the state of the Development Review Board, Brad and I have had conversations on and off this year because of our lack of having meetings, so we have had a little bit of time to talk about it. It's not a positions that I feel is foreign to other municipalities here in the valley. I know for development in downtown Phoenix, there's been a Board of appeals or a design appeals board that was made up of a few choice individuals that always reviewed projects that were impactful in downtown area. Now they had a choice between a list of a pretty robust list of qualifications that would not subject you to the appeals board, but a lot of people chose to go to the appeals board because the sustainability things that you had to fulfill were very impactful in the design. So I feel like that's a similar position that the Board will be in, you're just and again, reminiscing on the past six years, or even probably the past maybe two to three years, we haven't seen a lot of cases that are way out there that require the board to really do a lot of in depth research, staff has done a great job of prepping cases and essentially vetting through major issues before they even get to the Development Review Board. There's not this type of really it happens and we need to we are reviewing the projects for their quality. But I feel like when you get into an appeals section, the level of scrutiny will be heightened, you'll have projects that are looking at the development standards, the guidelines and they're doing something different, and it's in direct conflict with it, but it's also probably going to be on the case that they're meeting the spirit of what you're trying to do with the guidelines and trying to create a quality product.

That being said, it's probably more important now than ever that you have individuals on that board who have the depth of knowledge to understand what is quality, what is not quality, what is taking the cheap route out or what is actually trying to do something that's even nicer than following the guidelines, because the guidelines can be restrictive. My conversations with Brad have just been about the importance of getting the right members on that board because I think it will be meeting less, I'm assuming it will be a fairly infrequent meeting of the appeals board as needed, but hopefully the appointment or whoever gets appointed to that or you know, you may want to look at the makeup of it and require that there is professional, professionals

required on the board and I'm not sure how that process will work out with Council or with through Brad, but I just want to put it out there, that I think that it's probably going to be a more applicable for professionals to be involved in that dialogue. So, I'm open for any questions regarding that. As well as Brad, I guess.

Mayor Borowsky: Okay, thank you so much. That's very helpful. We appreciate that input. Councilwoman Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Yes. So maybe that's something for the city manager first think we I'm guessing we all agree up here about relooking at the guidelines for appointments to the DRB and we have talked about having the DRB help write some of our standards to strengthen what the DRB would have done. So just note to Mr. Caton that I'm definitely in support of looking at that and using some professional requirements. Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: I agree with that, I think that's a great idea. All right, thank you, gentlemen.

Brad Carr: Thank you.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

[Time: 00:20:09]

Mayor Borowsky: Next, we have the Human Relations Commission and presenters Joy Racine, Community Involvement Manager and Chair Veronica, where is Veronica Aguilar. I don't see Veronica. Is she here? Okay.

Staff Representative Joy Racine: Unfortunately, Veronica's plane was cancelled and therefore she was not able to attend today. So, you guys get just me.

Mayor Borowsky: Welcome.

Joy Racine: Thank you. Thank you, Honorable Mayor, members of the City Council for letting us come today and talk to you about the Human Relations Commission.

Our Commission was established by city ordinance back in 2000 and act as an advisory body to the Mayor, City Council and staff. And they do make recommendations on ways to encourage mutual respect and understanding among residents. Of all backgrounds and promote opportunities that enhance quality of life for all people. In addition, the Commission may also provide recommendations regarding community initiatives, educational outreach and special events. That all foster unity, public service and building a stronger City Council community.

Our makeup is seven residents. All these residents are appointed by the Mayor and the City Council. Although there's no particular professional experience that is particularly needed, we do like that our residents demonstrate a strong commitment to the community in order to help strengthen relationships among those

who live and work here in our community.

The accomplishments that we have had over the past year, we did establish the Chair's participation in the Unity Walk with the Mayor's Youth Council and participation in the annual MLK celebration as annual occurrences. We have explored collaborations with community partnerships, such as the Human Services Advisory Commission and the Mayor's Youth Council, and we have also finalized and approved their 25-26 strategic plan and they continue to work on the goals and the activities with the strategic plan throughout.

We do seek to operate within the purpose of the mission but also finding new opportunities to align with the city's priorities and values. So, in keeping in line with our partnerships such as working with the other commissions and the Mayor's Youth Council, so far this past year we have also heard from other groups such as Scottsdale Police Department, the Jewish Community Center and we also have presentations scheduled for the next coming months from members of our within the city, different departments, asking for recommendations there we can work with them. As a Commission we will continue to engage in these meaningful discussions centered on the primary areas of our strategic plan and to provide thoughtful feedback and recommendations when appropriate. Thank you for your time and I'm happy to answer any questions.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you. I don't see any questions. With that, thank you for your update.

Joy Racine: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: We hope Veronica gets home.

LIBRARY BOARD

[Time: 00:23:43]

Next we have the Library Board, presenters Mike Beck, Library Director and Chair Janice Shimokubo. Yes. Welcome.

Staff Representative Mike Beck: Thank you, Mayor Borowsky, members of the Council. A pleasure to be with you today. Happy to present with the Library Board. So, the purpose of the the purpose of the Library Board shall advise the city manager and the City Council on general policy relates the operation of the library. It shall not be binding upon city manager or City Council. The Library Board consists of 7 members appointed by the City Council, and each member is appointed for a term of three years, reappointed on are until a successor is appointed.

Chair Janice Shimokubo: Good afternoon, Mayor Borowsky, Vice Mayor McAllen and City Council members, 2025 was a very busy and productive year for the library. One of our strategic objectives was to expand our community partnerships. Last year was the first year we partnered with SUSD on the college and career fair. SUSD designed the fair and the Library Board provided the venue as well as managed all the logistics. 2,000 the students and parents attended last year and 125 colleges and universities sent representatives to the

event. It was so successful that we partnered again this year with SUSD for the 2026 College and Career Fair held two Saturdays ago, September 26.

Last year we also continued our partnership with SUSD on the be Kids Café, why it is a program that offers free lunch to children and teens up to the age of 18, every day of the week during summer break. SUSD provided the lunches, the library provided the venue. Civic Center Library and provided the staff and volunteers to distribute the food.

Another first for us last year was a partnership with ASU, the OLLI program focused on continuing education for adults 50 years old or older. They had three lectures and 340 people total attended. Again, a very successful program, and so we continued that program this year in 2026. Next slide, please.

Another area of focus was to increase the visibility of the library, and we did that through participating in over 30 events across the city. And in every venue, we approached people and encouraged them to sign up for library cards.

Another strategic focus for us last year was to increase the library's programs and services. Last year, we prepared for the introduction of 3d printing. Because 3d printing is a technology-based service, the Board and the staff took extra time to really redefine and to refine the policies and procedures, and that due diligence set us up for a very smooth launch in 2026 and Director Beck has a couple of examples of what's been made on our 3d printing. Really fun.

[Time: 00:27:12]

We also introduced virtual reality programming last year. The library purchased four Meta Quest headsets and consoles, one for each branch and those are programmed for gaming, for youth and teens. We also had a program for adults. That's a picture of me with a friend at Arabian Library with 12 other adults participating in a virtual reality program. In that case, a community partner came and brought the headsets and provided the programming. And another very important project last year was the redesign of the library website. Next slide, please.

In terms of upcoming challenges, opportunities or outcomes, our library staff has so many ideas of who to improve and expand our services. Here are just a few examples. We notice that we had an opportunity to expand the summer reading challenge program by promoting it for all ages. The so this year it was promoted not only to children and teens, but to parents, grandparents and seniors. And to support this effort the friends of the library donated five gift baskets as grand prizes for the adults, which were wonderful, wonderful incentives.

Another focus area was to expand keep expanding our partnerships and this year we partnered with a Desert Foothills YMCA up to at Carefree Highway and 60th Street. The YMCA incorporated our summer reading challenge program into their summer day camp program. They also distributed the flyers for our 2026 College and Career Fair. And another first was a partnership with the Japanese Friendship Garden.

So that concludes our summary of the highlights pin would like to take a moment to thank you our City Council for your ongoing support of the library, to thank Director Beck and the whole staff of the library for all the hard work they do day in and day out to make our library a city resource that Scottsdale residents value and appreciate.

Mike Beck: We'll be happy to answer any questions you have.

Mayor Borowsky: There's a lot going on at the library. Keeping it fresh, I like it. Very well done. Councilwoman Whitehead.

[Time: 00:29:16]

Councilwoman Whitehead: The creativity, for 2020 when we shut down and got so creative, it's just amazing, I am thrilled with all these programs and the 3D printer and the children's lunches, everything you said, I just want to say how thrilled I am, and libraries are one of the reasons we just one of the things that stood out to us when we moved here for just six months. These are pretty nice libraries and only getting better. Thank you so much.

Mike Beck: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Vice Mayor McAllen.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you for the presentation, Chair and Mr. Beck. I have a question about the library cards themselves and the pictures. Do you want to describe them program that's national about changing the front part of the picture of the library card and how it's kind of a trend right now and people are actually flocking to libraries to get library cards because of an influencer or a famous person who is on a library card. I don't know if we have entered into that. I know the City of Phoenix had. I'll just leave it at that.

Mike Beck: Mayor Borowsky and Councilmember McAllen. I can answer that, we are in that realm, so we do different library cards that highlight facility amenities. In the last year we also partnered with public art to license the Robert Indiana Love statute. So, we did a special run of 5,000 cards for that. It was so popular we are in the process of trying to reorder and ordering 10,000 this time. We are in that realm already and trying to be creative in that aspect as well.

Vice Mayor McAllen: Excellent. I know it seems kind of silly to do that with library cards and the fact it would be trendy and my daughter would wait in line for a couple of hours to get a specific library card. Being on the cutting edge, just not with the programs themselves, but things to bring people and libraries such as that. I really applaud you for your efforts. I know that seems like a silly one, that's why I brought it up. Anything we can do to make people realize how adaptable the libraries are and that everyone is welcome.

Mike Beck: Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you both. Appreciate it.

MCDOWELL SONORAN PRESERVE COMMISSION

[Time: 00:31:37]

Next, we have the McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission, and we have presenters Jenna Kohl, Preserve Director and Chair Steve Coluccio, and Vice-Chair Savannah Engelking. Welcome, all of you.

Staff Representative Jenna Kohl: Honorable Mayor, members of the City Council, good evening, I'm Jenna Kohl. Joined by our Chair and Vice-Chair. First slide, please.

The McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission consists of seven Council appointed resident volunteers. They provide critical community oversight and recommendations to City Council on preserve management, funding, long-range planning and resource protection. Their responsibilities are listed on the slide. They include reviewing parks and preserve tax allocations and recommending annual preserve maintenance and protection budgets, advising on open space preservation strategies, priority land identification, wildlife habitat protection and invasive plant and fire fuel management. Restoration projects, company ecological studies and cultural resource protection. The they guide development of educational, promotional and public engagement initiatives and provide input on protection, public access, and preserve related infrastructure, and I will turn it over to the Chair and Vice-Chair to give details on our accomplishments, challenges and opportunities.

Mayor Borowsky: Savannah, turn on, thanks.

Vice-Chair Savannah Engelking: The key accomplishments regarding public safety and preservation are as follows, the Commission approved the 25-26 parks and preserve and 2004 preservation tax budgets ensuring stable funding for wildfire mitigation, invasive species management and ecological restoration. This was the first time this was done on and approved under Prop 490. We supported the Rio Verde's Wildlife and Pedestrian Trail crossing feasibility study to evaluate the connectivity solution. The Commission supported development of the wildfire restoration study and planned to strengthen preparedness and resilience following those events. They advanced restoration of the Diamond Fire burn area with 65 acres restored and high native plant survival rate and enhanced cross jurisdictional invasive species mitigation in partnership with Tonto National Forest. Next slide please.

Our key accomplishments regarding infrastructure and visitors experience, are as follows. We improved the Brown's Ranch Trailhead improvement, improve circulation and address environmental constraints that we had. The Commission monitored progress of the Carefree Fault Research project to safeguard geological and cultural resources. They updated the trail interpretive signage and completed critical trail improvements across the preserve, and lastly, we launched the heat smart/hike safe campaign to improve visitor safety during extreme heat periods. And then I'll pass it over to our Chair Coluccio.

[Time: 00:35:02]

Chair Steve Coluccio: This is current and future opportunities, challenges and outcomes. We have it divided up into four categories. First one being reinvestment and aged infrastructure. We are in the process of establishing long-term trailhead improvements at the three older, oldest I should say, trailheads, Lost Dog Wash, Gateway and Tom Stone, what we are finding, there are improvement needs at some of the other trailheads as well. That will be included in our five-year capital plan. We are in the process of completing the Brown's Ranch Trailhead improvements and hope to have reopening here in the month of October. Fencing assessment, so the preserve is on the perimeter has fencing almost all the way around. And a lot of that fencing is the old four strand bashed wire barbed wire fencing, it is falling down now. It's a danger to animals, any horses that might get loose and potentially to any humans. So that's something we'll need to take a look at. And then we are in the process of finalizing our long-term strategies and parameters in the case of any land acquisition opportunities that may present themselves here in the next couple of years.

Second category is public safety. So, we will be reviewing the results of the wildlife restoration study and plan, which is intended to guide us in the eventuality that we have a major wildfire in the preserve. That plan is due, I believe, next May. So, we'll be looking at that. Then in public safety, excuse me, we'll be reviewing the results of the I'm sorry did I skip something. No. Public safety was the wild life restoration study, secondly on under public safety would be supporting the fire flow modelling, this is an effort to identify the really dangerous areas in the preserve that, you know, with regard to wildfires, give us an opportunity to establish fire breaks or other mitigating actions to help reduce the results of any wildfires that do come through and last but not least, expand we want to continue to expand our invasive species treatment approach with new technologies and, of course, that's going to be an ongoing effort on the part of the city relative to, you know, taking care of invasive species that are out there. Next slide, please.

Under preservation, we'll need to assess the results of the Rio Verde crossing and pedestrian trail study, that is scheduled to be presented to the Commission at our next meeting in November. So, we'll be taking a look at that. We'll need to continue monitoring wildlife and critical habitat protection using the ecological resource plan revised in 2024 as a guide for activities and projects that we're going to want to do in that regard. We are also going to develop a dashboard that will help us track all the projects that would come it very of the ecological resource plan. Why that's an important factor so we can monitor the results. Establish and monitor the results. And then we'll continue to cultural resource protection efforts. There are some trails that run either through or very close to some of our cultural resources, we need to decide what to do about that. In addition, there's 2,700 acres that never did undergo on audit for natural I'm sorry, cultural resources, and so that's something that we really should finalize here in the next couple of years.

Under access, and visitor experience, we are in the process of developing an education system, comprehensive education system with regard to the preserve. This would be targeted toward residents as well as visitors. Looking forward to that.

And then last but not least, we are in the process of establishing a preserve user group. We do occasionally get conflict between the various user groups, whether it be hikers, bikers, equestrians, rock climbers, even hurt hers to some degree. If we can put together a group of leaders from those communities, to kind of

discuss what the be problems are, and maybe come to some what the problems are and maybe come to some conclusion how to address them, I think we'll be better off and hopefully avoid some of those conflicts that do occur out there on the trails. And questions, comments or feedback?

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you very much. Appreciate your update, sounds like there's a lot of plans in the future. I don't see any questions or comments. So, we will rest on all that great information, thank you.

Steve Coluccio: Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION

[Time: 00:40:51]

Mayor Borowsky: Next, we have the Neighborhood Advisory Commission, presenters are Taylor Reynolds, Planner Planning Principal and Chair Bridget Schwartz Manock, welcome.

Staff Representative Taylor Reynolds: Good afternoon. Mayor, members of Council, I'm Taylor Reynolds the liaison to the Neighborhood Advisory Commission, I do have our Chair here, Bridget Schwartz Manock, she has been on the Commission since May of 2012. In her 2021 and second year of the Chair here. With that...Going too far. I'm all over the place, okay.

The Neighborhood Advisory Commission consists of seven members appointed by City Council. With each member serving a three-year term. Purpose of the Commission is to advise and make recommendations to City Council on policy, plans, strategies and programs for the preservation, improvement and revitalization of Scottsdale neighborhoods. The Commission may also advise and make recommendations on other issues or matters as City Council directs.

The Commission is also responsible for establishing criteria for how neighborhood enhancement grant funds or an GP funds are allocated for approving or denying applications pursuant to the adopted application procedure and criteria. These grant funds are provided through the City Council budgeting process.

Chair Bridget Schwartz Manock: Good afternoon, Madam Mayor, Madam Vice Mayor, members of the Council, it's a pleasure to be here today. All right, I'm going to cover some of our accomplishments. In 2025 the Commission continued its work with a Neighborhood Enhancement Grant program. Which is funded through City Council budget process. The program provides funding for small scale neighborhood improvement projects including projects that support neighborhood identity, maintenance and visual character. This is important and critical funding for neighborhoods that may not have the resources or an HOA.

In 2025, the Commission allocated nearly \$10,000 in funds. This included \$5,300 to repair the Southwest Village monument sign at 68th Street and Indian School Road. And \$4,250 for landscape enhancements in the Carefree Hills neighborhood. Both projects reflect the purpose of the grant program, which is supporting visible, community level improvements that help preserve and enhance Scottsdale neighborhoods. All right.

The next area is the Spirit of Scottsdale. The Spirit of Scottsdale awards program ties back to the Commission's purpose of supporting the preservation, improvement and revitalization of Scottsdale neighborhoods. It recognizes individuals, businesses and organizations whose efforts help strengthen neighborhood identity, improve neighborhood character and contribute to a sense of community. In that way, the awards help highlight above examples of neighborhood investment and involvement through our city.

The 2024 individual award was presented to Mary and John Garbasiak, for their continued volunteer work through the Scottsdale Adopt-A-Road program. The 2024 business organization award was presented to Clayton companies for its reinvestment in south Scottsdale, including projects and help revitalizing existing commercial areas and supporting neighborhood gathering places.

The Commission has also continued to discuss ways to increase awareness of this program and encourage more nominations in future years. So that additional neighborhood contribution crews can be recognized.

[Time: 00:45:01]

So I also wanted to cover some of the other actions we have been busy with. In addition to our grant and recognition program, the Commission has also heard presentations and briefings on several neighborhood related policy and programming items in 2025. This included a review of the organizations, 2025 legislative agenda and updates on state law related to text amendments, including adaptive reuse, accessory dwelling units and middle housing. These discussions helped the Commission stay informed about regulatory changes that may affect Scottsdale neighborhoods. The Commission also discussed the usuals of neighborhood preservation, education and outreach and programming including the NEGP coordination with code enforcement, neighborhood data and enhanced neighborhood watch opportunities. Several Commissioners participated in GAIN events which provided an opportunity to support local neighborhoods and connect with residents. I particularly love that event. I always attend. Together these items reflect how the Neighborhood Advisory Commission stays informed about neighborhood-related issues and participates in programs that may support future recommendations to you, the City Council.

So, looking ahead, one of the Commission's key opportunities is improving public awareness of the Commission's advisory role and neighborhood focus programs. While the 2025 annual report was prepared before the Commission's more recent discussions on involvement and visibility, that discussion has helped sharpen our focus for 2026 and beyond. The Commission is interested in making sure residents better understand what the Commission does, how the programs like the grants and the Spirit of Scottsdale awards can support neighbors and how neighborhood-related topics may appropriately inform future Commission discussions or recommendations to all of you.

The Commission has also identified opportunities to interface with community members at events, clarify Commissioner roles during our outreach and receive additional periodic related neighborhood updates. As that work moves forward, there may be a natural connection with the city's community involvement work group and their efforts particularly where staff are already working with residents. The goal is not to duplicate existing city processes, but to improve awareness of the Commission and to help us stay informed excuse me,

of neighborhood related topics that align with our advisory role. The that, I believe happy to answer any questions about our Commission.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you. Thank you for your service. I do have a question about the GAIN events. Is there a central place where those are posted, that people can go to?

Taylor Reynolds: Mayor Borowsky, members of Council, as I understand it, community involvement staff are coordinating all of the events. I think folks apply to I shouldn't say apply, but notify staff that, hey, we'll have an event and then they relay h lay that to event staff and the staff then coordinates with other city departments as necessary depending on what the neighborhood is expressed, who interested, who the neighborhood is interested in having at their event. So, in some instances they do request Neighborhood Advisory Commissioners be there and in other times they have PD, to have police cars for kids to see and to be there.

Mayor Borowsky: Any idea where they publish that for each one?

Taylor Reynolds: I'm unaware of where we do publish that. That is not our program. We kind of glom onto it.

Mayor Borowsky: Thanks, city clerk, want to say something.

City Clerk Ben Lane: Mayor, we have a community notices webpage where many of those events are posted. Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Okay, great. Vice Mayor McAllen.

[Time: 00:49:13]

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you for the presentation, Taylor and Chair Schwartz Manock. I'm excited to be attending the GAIN events. We received invites last week. I think I can make two of them, why I think there's four. I also appreciate how you work to recreate this Commission and keep making yourselves viable to the citizens and making sure that people know who you are. I think that this is the basis, I love this Commission, I love that you guys are going into neighborhoods, just makes people feel connected.

I also want to say thank you to Chair Schwartz Manock for your time on the Commission, you'll notice a pattern here, a lot of our Commissioners are former employees. That says something to me, why tells me that they love the city so much, they live in the city and want to give back to the city. Thank you for not leaving us behind when you went on to big things, but for dedicating yourself to our city. Appreciate it.

Mayor Borowsky: Councilman Graham.

Councilman Graham: I know I say it about every Commission, your Commission is underrated. So, thank you for your service.

Mayor Borowsky: All right. With that, thank you so much for the presentation. Sorry, Councilwoman Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: The difference that the Neighborhood Commission makes with their grants to the neighborhoods because our value as a city is the collective value of all our neighborhoods, so thank you for that, too.

Mayor Borowsky: No worries. No worries.

PLANNING COMMISSION

[Time: 00:50:59]

The next we have the Planning Commission, presenters Tim Curtis, Planning and Development Services Deputy Director, and Chair Joe Young. Welcome, gentlemen.

Staff Representative Tim Curtis: Good afternoon. City Council, again, good afternoon. I'm Tim Curtis with the Planning Department and also serve as the liaison to the Planning Commission. With me is the planning Commission Chair Joe Young, he is a stalwart in the community, particularly with the built environment what the Planning Commission deals with quite a bit. Not only is Joe a professional in that arena, but he served six full years on the Planning Commission and six years before that with the Development Review Board. So as a professional and a volunteer, we really need more volunteers like him. I'll give you a brief overview and turn it over to Chair Young.

So, the Planning Commission, seven members appointed by the City Council, they're an advisory Board to the City Council on land use matters and zoning matters. One important aspect of this Planning Commission is that they're a key component in the public outreach process. As you know, the planning and development process particularly zoning and land use matters go through extensive amount of public outreach and before it culminates to the City Council. The Planning Commission holds public hearings on those usuals and as we all know sometimes those can be pretty contentious and the Planning Commission serves as a great sounding Board for the community members to participate before it gets to the City Council. And then they make the Planning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council on all matters relating to the general plan, general plan amendments, zoning map amendments, zoning ordinance text amendments, conditional use permits, and abandonments and just helping make sure that proposals that come before the Council, again, get vetted out and looking for maximum compatibility for the community.

For the most part, Scottsdale is a well-planned community, and a lot of the credit goes to current Planning Commission members and past Planning Commission members. So, with that said, I'd like to turn it over to Chair Joe Young to deal with the accomplishments and opportunities for the Planning Commission.

Chair Joe Young: Thank you, Mr. Curtis. Thank you for that very kind introduction. Mayor, Vice Mayor, members of the Council, great to be here to see you all today. As Tim pointed out, some of the key accomplishments and major actions taken, he mentioned zoning text amendments in response to zoning

pre-emption laws, adaptive reuse in middle housing. Other zoning cases, zoning use permits which we've seen a lot of this year and a lot of abandonments this year. Those are the day-to-day cases that we'll see. There were more notable cases that we saw. There was One Scottsdale, there was the Banner Hospital facility, but I don't think that ever came to City Council yet, it got continued and they didn't come back. I'm sure that will be on the docket in the near future. We had the Ryvian project and the Terawatt car charging facility. That one, there was a lot of questions about that all of the Commissioners had and we don't always agree on everything, but that's actually a good thing, that means we can and we ask the hard questions. If the applicant doesn't have all the answers we need, we ask them to go back to the drawing board and come back when they do have the answers for us.

As Tim mentioned, this is my last duty as the Chair of the Planning Commission. So, it's a little bittersweet for me because of the 12 years I've been here, it's been a wonderful experience. I want to compliment Mr. Curtis and all of his staff, they do an amazing job preparing these cases for us because if it wasn't for them, we would not have the background and the knowledge to go to them and ask questions, you know, the week prior to the hearing to make sure that we have all the available information. With and these cases do take a lot of time to digest. We actually had a use permit that I think it was 700 some pages, the bar up north, and that was a monster, and you would think something as simple as a use permit wouldn't have been that complicated. There was a lot of neighborhood involvement in that, which me personally as Chair, want to make sure we hear all the neighbors and what they say. Because it matters to them, because these projects, these you know, these cases are near their homes, which I've said this multiple times, that's the single largest investment those people have, and it's so important to them. I don't want to downplay that just because, you know, somebody says we want to do this.

[Time: 00:56:40]

But then there's balancing property rights. We had an abandonment that I believe that you saw and I can't remember the exact case, there was some quite upset neighbors about it because somebody was going to develop some lots behind them, with but there was some history on that particular case that I found out about after talking more with staff and made it more clear that this landowner had the right to do what they wanted to do. Sometimes it's unfortunate that happens, but that's why we have the zoning ordinance, that's why we have the general plan. And our job is to interpret those and enforce them to the best of our ability.

Are so with that, I just wanted to say thank you, thank you to the Mayor and to the City Council for your support of Planning Commission, and it's been my pleasure serving these last 12 years.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you so much. Thanks for your service, excellent what's your next one going to be?

Joe Young: The Library Board sounds kind of fun.

Mayor Borowsky: It really does. All right, great job, Tim, excellent work. Anything else? There's some questions I think. Councilwoman Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: I wanted to say thank you, Joe and Tim, of course.

Mayor Borowsky: Councilwoman Graham.

Councilman Graham: Thank you for the report, yeah. Joe and I were appointed to the Planning Commission, I think, at the exact same time six some odd years ago, weren't we? We were actually Co-Commissioners on that Planning Commission.

Joe Young: We were. We had a lot of dinners together.

Councilman Graham: Absolutely a lot of dinners, sorry I had to put you through that. And then you guys started this session by Tim just glowing, gushing about Tim about Joe and his community service, and every time I go to Club Sar, Joe is there, I believe he's more diligent and committed to his fitness, just better in every way. Thank you for your service. Stuck around, look for something else, we need you.

Joe Young: Thank you, Councilman.

Mayor Borowsky: Councilwoman Graham. Littlefield. Pardon me.

Councilman Graham: We look a lot alike, we get confused.

Councilwoman Littlefield: I just wanted to thank you both, thank you, Joe, for your time and thank you for your time also, because I know it takes a lot of work to put those Planning Commission meetings together and to get the background information complete and up-to-date and make sure that you're doing it right. I know you put a lot into it. So, thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: All right. That's all we have. Thank you so much.

Joe Young: Thank you.

SCOTTSDALE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

[Time: 00:59:18]

Mayor Borowsky: Next the Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission, and presenters are Adam Yaron. Planning Development Area Manager and Chair Dr. Alisa McMahon. Hello, Adam.

Staff Representative Adam Yaron: Mayor Borowsky, Vice Mayor McAllen, members of the City Council, I'm Adam Yaron. The staff liaison to the Scottsdale Environmental Commission, unfortunately Dr. Alisa McMahon couldn't be here this afternoon to present and we believe we had some difficulty connecting her online, but I'll do my best to present content prepared by both her and I and do my best not to editorialize any statements that you'll hear from me this afternoon.

Regarding the Commission's purpose and responsibilities, the Commission is charged with advising City Council on matters related to the preservation and enhancement of Scottsdale's environment. It includes

recommending policies, programs and ordinances that promote environmental quality, supporting education and outreach on key environmental issues, identifying opportunities for innovation and collaboration, selecting recipients for the Scottsdale sustainability award and finally receiving public comments on matters within the Commission's responsibilities and considering that input when developing recommendations to City Council.

SEAC has seven members, the membership designed to reflect both scientific and nonscientific perspective. This includes professionals with backgrounds in environmental fields as well as representatives from the business community and the community at large. It is important to note that there's no requirement for specific number of members to have environmental expertise. This ensures a broad range of perspectives on the Commission.

The Commission selected Echo Canyon School as the 2025 Sustainable Award recipients and launched the 26 award cycle as part of their key 2025 accomplishments. Significant focus of waste reduction was made I'm sorry, with significant focus on waste reduction in the circular economy was made. The Commission heard from several organizations about textile and plastic diversion, food rescue and the converting food waste to renewable energy. Based on that work we sought recommendation and Goodwill's monitored donation container pilot program which could reduce the disposal of reusable materials while lowering refuse collection and landfill costs.

[Time: 01:02:07]

SEAC reviewed progress on the city's 2019 Bond funded solar projects and Scottsdale's efforts to achieve lead for cities and communities gold certification and finally the Commission also received an update from Scottsdale Water regarding Colorado River conditions. The ongoing post 2026 negotiations, potential delivery reductions and the city's existing conservation programs. In addition, SEAC began researching potential water strategies, including irrigation technologies, separate metering, are pool and spas, ornamental water facilities.

Looking ahead, at opportunities and future focus areas, there are several. For water, SEAC will evaluate drought preparedness and conservation measures with particular attention to Scottsdale's long-term Colorado River resilience. This remains an important challenge because Scottsdale relies on it for a substantial part of its water supply while future operating agreements and potential delivery reductions remain uncertain. They will reuse support heat island mitigation efforts for waste, we will continue to support landfill diversion, food waste reduction, plastic waste reduction and the consideration of a municipal green purchasing policy.

The Commission will also evaluate opportunities related to solar energy, energy storage, energy efficiency and future energy and green construction code updates. Additional areas of focus include air quality improvement strategies, organic pest management and nature-based solutions and expanded environmental awareness in community engagement.

Finally, we will continue to monitor state legislation that could limit the city's authority to address local environmental matters and provide guidance when appropriate. Through this work the Commission will

continue to identify practical opportunities to improve environmental stewardship and resilience in Scottsdale. Thank you for the opportunity to present the 2025 annual report. Happy to answer any questions at this time. Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you, Adam. We appreciate it. I don't see any questions or comments, but we really appreciate the update.

Adam Yaron: Thank you very much.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

[Time: 01:04:33]

Mayor Borowsky: Next, the Tourism Development Commission. Presenters are Steve Geiogamah, Tourism Developmental Management and Chris Montgomery and Joe Shershenovich. Welcome, gentlemen.

Staff Representative Steve Geiogamah: Good afternoon. Steve Geiogamah, Tourism Development and Events, I'm the staff liaison to the Tourism Development liaison to my far right, our Chairman, Commissioner Montgomery and our Vice-Chair Shershenovich is here as well.

They're going to be leading us through the presentation this afternoon. I'd like to identify the purpose of the Commission, which should be coming up there in a second. Basically, they are to provide recommendations to the City Council. It has seven members, four hoteliers and three industry reps and they serve three-year terms. So, at this point, I will hand it off to our Chairman Montgomery.

Chair Chris Montgomery: Thank you, Steve. We did this for visual purpose. Put Joe in the middle to break up the pink, thought that would be important. Well, the Commission recognizes the importance of supporting a diverse mix of events to attract visitors, drive economic activity, strengthen Scottsdale's appeal as a year-round destination. We take this very seriously, they are limited to one season or one industry one type of visitor for that matter. We are trying to create compelling reasons to experience Scottsdale throughout the year.

Editorial, I've been here for 30 plus years, and I can't imagine living in your else, so when this opportunity came to represent the city in this particular case, I was all in, been in sports and entertainment for that whole time. So, this is something that's close to my heart and I feel like I have a pretty good feel for it.

As I mentioned, our investments aren't limited to one season or one type of event. As an example, in the arts and cultural arts and cultural category, we have supported the Western Spirit Museum, we have also supported Canal Convergence, which is that transforming the waterfront into the immersive experience in the heart of Old Town, Scottsdale, we supported the Arizona Indian Festival to add cultural elements to this. Sports category, we have ad, as you know the Polo event, we have had plenty of equestrian events and one of my favorites and obviously one of Joe's favorites, the college golf championships, which brought in college athletes from across the country, the coaches, the players the fans, leverage one of Scottsdale's existing

strengths, besides weather, golf, which is adds to our sports tourism.

The second thing is establishing a clearer framework for evaluating this, technology is advancing rapidly, and so what Steve and the crew do for I see is they help us use tools like AI to better understand event performances, visitor activity, who we are attracting to Scottsdale and this helps guide our accountability and the funding process. What's important to know now organizations really understand the expectations up front. Whether it's marketing expenditure, hotel room news or other measurable outcomes. Run if you go to Walmart or Target, people recognize me as someone who does this, which means we must have high ratings. If an organization doesn't make these applicable, measurements, these things we put out, they might receive the full funding, that's an important point I feel like I make often if someone stops me at the Walmart or target and asks why did you vote for something, which is, again, strange, but nonetheless, I make sure that I let them know if this doesn't meet these metrics, we are not simply awarding tourism dollars. We are trying to make an involvement. Tied to defined expectations and measurable results.

[Time: 01:08:56]

In the current opportunities and challenges outcome, I think it's really important to ensure tourism partners are working more intentionally together toward shared objectives, and in this particular case, I'll talk about the city's 5 percent destination marketing, what I've seen so far is this investment must avoid duplicating efforts. And creating competing priorities, our tourism investments should be working together toward the same objectives. How do we do that? We include all the stakeholders and do it early, don't do it after the fact. Are as you'll see in the new strategic plan coming up, that's happening. And it was really exciting to hear about this and see some of those things.

The other thing that's interesting is tourism and economic development. I know Kevin's coming and he's responsible for those things. What's great about that, they're connected, but they're short-term objectives, sometimes differ. Whereas tourism may prioritize immediate hotel demand visitation, this is my favorite, economic development my prior longer business activity, infrastructure or district revitalization, which I hear a lot about when I read my little paper, Scottsdale paper, and I think it's fantastic. I personally believe our greatest opportunity and perhaps our challenge developing a plan with meaningful stakeholder involvement. Clear priorities, measurable outcomes, a strategic plan should establish shared priorities, clear responsibilities, and measurable outcomes. I can't say that enough. The measurable outcomes.

One of the things that I think the questions as we look to the future are can we refine our event funding criteria, right? People ask all the time how do you determine whether that gets funding or not, technology as fast as it's moving, I think we need to make sure we pay attention to what that does and we need to know more than does the event create incremental demand and we need to know does it filet strategic need. These are things that are simple and we just got to find all agree on the measurements. Again, the bottom line for us, our criteria should help us distinguish between successful event, an event that creates meaningful tourism value for Scottsdale.

And in closing because I know tourism has one million questions, hopefully, the biggest opportunity is to ensure tourism investments are intentional and coordinated and measurable. We want to make sure that we

are not just supporting successful events but supporting events successful for Scottsdale.

[Time: 01:11:42]

Vice Chair Joe Shershenovich: I just had a couple of items and appreciate your time today, but collaboration, this tourism ecosystem is powerful. Scottsdale is a great brand when people come here, they have high expectations, I've only served on the commission a year, I'm fascinated with the cooperation with everyone, and in the case of the potential baseball strike, I've talked to the experience Scottsdale, talking about already creating activities, evidently City Manager Greg Caton had put together a committee of experienced Scottsdale and resorts ideas to reactivate what might be some downtime, how do we get leisure travelers to come here if dates are available. There's an opportunity fund with experience Scottsdale working on RFP's with Steven to help the Scottsdale hotels working with the Giants and that's the kind of that's the kind of attitude we need to have as a city, because we don't know what is going to happen.

Secondly, the TDC, from an research analysis for golf and how it reals to the whole state, and with this water war coming up, Jim Rounds has been hired, we are quantifying golf in Scottsdale from an employment, why rounds of golf, water, et cetera, measuring us as a city versus the state and good data will help us make more prudent decision making for the future. I'm really pleased with our investment and participation in that as well. I think it's going to be great. Thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Great. Excellent. Lots of exciting things going on. Who hired Jim Rounds, did your office, did it go through the city manager?

Joe Shershenovich: We were working with AAG, Experience Scottsdale, Jim had done the previous economic impact five years ago, so he is taking our information out of that.

Mayor Borowsky: That's exciting.

Steve Geiogamah: It's handled through a city contract.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you. Let's see, we have Vice Mayor McAllen.

[Time: 01:13:38]

Vice Mayor McAllen: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you, gentlemen for your presentation I am kind of a tourism geek, I show up to your Commission meetings, and Chair Montgomery is right, I would not like to be the person that you guys are asking grueling questions to, they are all professionals on that Commission.

The what I do want to do is, the cooperation, the part you talked about Joe, how it's interdependent on all these other organizations, I had the opportunity on Saturday, and this is blatant shameless shoutout for the City of Scottsdale, our stadium director, is part of the Arizona Cactus League and the Arizona Tourism and Lodging Association's annual function was last Saturday night and they won an award and Kyle got to go up there with the league and accept it.

And with spring training being in flux right now, it's important to know that working together all those groups that, it's for the good of the when the Phoenix metro area, yes, Scottsdale first and foremost, but if we don't act interdependent of these other groups, it doesn't help anybody. The so I appreciate how you guys always seem to work those things in, and I know that the NBA All-Star game is coming to Phoenix in the next year, and I imagine they'll be coming to you. So, thank you for all your efforts.

Mayor Borowsky: Councilwoman Dubauskas.

Councilwoman Dubauskas: Thank you. I really appreciate how you apply your critical thinking to the tourism industry to think further, how could we do better, what can we do differently? Thinking about how do we make sure we don't duplicate efforts on the 5 percent and manage our water together, so we maintain the strength of Scottsdale golf. Really leaning into your expertise and in no way do I mean this, no rubber stamping here. This is serious, this is our leading industry in the City of Scottsdale, part of our brand and part of our brand management and part of what makes Scottsdale really special and unique, your expertise really matters.

It's really something that's special. So, you know, please feel free to ask questions and to do that critical thinking and to really ask for more, right, this is Scottsdale, we want the best of the best. The so I think you guys are really leaning into that and I love to hear that in this report. The so I'm very encouraged by your report today, thank you.

Mayor Borowsky: Thank you, gentlemen. We appreciate your service and time tonight, and that concludes our Board and Commissions presentation. Go out with a bang. Oh, transportation okay, okay, okay.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

[Time: 01:16:39]

Yes. Why Nathan, I'm so sorry. Got one step ahead. All right. Last but not least, pardon me, Transportation Commission/Paths and Trails Subcommittee. And presenters are Nathan Domme, Senior Manager Transportation Planning Chair, and Chair Kerry Wilcoxon. I don't see any Emmie, but she is the Vice-Chair.

Staff Representative Nathan Domme: Good evening, Mayor Borowsky, members of the City Council, I'll give an update on Transportation Commission and the Subcommittee for Paths and Trails. With I do get the control. The so the board makeup of both the Boards, the Commission was established in 1988. Comprised of seven members appointed by City Council. Its general function is pretty broad to look at all matters related to the safe and efficient movement of motor vehicles, public transportation and it also includes but not limited to pedestrians, bicycles, equestrians and trail users on designated paths and trails, streets and elements of the transportation network in the city.

The Commission does this mostly by looking at two components of our department, which is the transportation master plan, called the Transportation Action Plan, and its current version, that goes in

accordance with the community mobility element of the general plan, and then also looking at the city's capital improvement program focused on the transportation section of that as well as the operating budgets for transportation. The Transportation Commission also provides the public forum for citizens to provide comments and requests regarding all transportation matters.

The Paths and Trails Subcommittee was created in 2009, consisting of five members appointed by City Council, two of those members are from the Transportation Commission, one of those members from the Parks Commission, so getting a collaborative group together to look and review these paths and trails. It is to provide recommendations to the position there Commission Transportation Commission regarding paths and trails and review modifications and improvements to buy cycle routes, equestrian routes, pedestrian trails, a large focus of it the unpaved trail network in the north, looking at ways to connect to the McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission but that would be the Commission you just heard of and their focus is within that preserve.

So key accomplishments and major actions taken by the Transportation Commission is looking at all aspects of the implementation of the transportation action plan, reviewing of the capital projects for transportation. We went through several roadway reclassifications we brought to them for action items. Looking at changing the general function of certain roadways in the city. And then a large component is the neighborhood traffic management program. A program where residents can bring concern within their neighborhoods to our department, it will be evaluated by our traffic engineers, based on the results, the Transportation Commission is the hearing body of any kind of decision on this, whether they're right on the edge of applying for some traffic calming principles or not, but we go to the position there Commission to be heard on those actions for safety within the neighborhoods.

[Time: 01:20:18]

Upcoming opportunities, challenges and outcomes, right now we are undergoing the transportation safety plan, that's coming into its draft format and will go in front of the Transportation Commission probably several times upcoming in the next couple of months. The neighborhood traffic management program. And then electric bicycle police related devices is and related devices is a discussion that keeps coming up in various forms to our body.

For the Paths and Trails Subcommittee, our key accomplish men's was again transportation action plan implementation, reviewing of all of the transportation capital projects, somewhere unpaved trail project review, unpaved trail easement review, there are several times that the unpaved trails up in the northern part of the city are evaluated or commented on by our residents, this is the body that would hear whether the easement whether the residents want to see the easement abandoned or whether it serves its intended function or whether we should improve or extend the trail program in those areas. And then looking at the path and trail network gap analysis are their major focuses.

Then upcoming opportunities and challenges for this body is once again the transportation safety plan as well. Then the local area infrastructure plans, these are the plans up in the northern part of Scottsdale that focus on dirt roads and unpaved trails in several parts of neighborhoods, and it directs where unpaved trails are

throughout that neighborhood. And we are looking to make several updates and then the unpaved trail expansion and improvements. So, with that, any questions, feedback or comments.

Mayor Borowsky: I don't see any questions or comments, although I saw a name come up. Nothing? Anybody? All right, well, thank you. Appreciate service and time tonight.

That concludes the Board and Commissions status reports and with that, we have concluded our Special Meeting and I move that we adjourn.

Councilwoman Littlefield: So moved.

Mayor Borowsky: All right, we are adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 01:22:25]