

June 6, 2024

TO: CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: MAYOR JOHN GILES

SUBJECT: Reappointments to Boards and Committees

The following are my recommendations for reappointments to the City of Mesa Advisory Boards and Committees:

**Board of Adjustment** – Seven-member board including new appointments.

Troy Glover, District 5. Mr. Glover is president of Glover Valuation Group. He is a Certified General Real Estate Appraiser, Licensed Real Estate Broker, and Registered Property Tax Agent. He earned a bachelor's degree in business, specializing in real estate, from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Building Board of Appeals**– Nine-member board including new appointments.

Kara Lynn Young, District 5. Ms. Young is a professional engineer and senior project manager at GHD. She has experience managing large water and electric utility projects. She is a Certified Construction Manager and earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Arizona State University and a bachelor's degree in chemistry from SUNY Osewgo. Her second term will expire on June 30, 2027.

Michelle Winkler, District 4. Ms. Winkler is a project manager at TallyCm where she oversees tenant improvement and new construction projects of auto dealerships. She has nearly 20 years' experience in construction working with contractors, developers, consultants, owners, and government officials. She earned a bachelor's degree in international economics from Texas Tech University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Design Review Board** – Seven-member board including new appointments.

Dane Astle, District 1. Mr. Astle is founder & CEO of EDIFACE Architecture in Gilbert. He is active in the community serving in scouting and neighborhood community service projects. He previously served as chair of the Planning and Zoning Board. He earned a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Utah and a master's degree in architecture from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Education and Workforce Development Roundtable** – Seventeen-member board including new appointments.

Councilmember Francisco Heredia, Councilmember Heredia began his first term representing District 3 in January 2021. He has experience working for the Maricopa County Recorder’s Office and the United States Census Bureau. He is a member of the Hispanic Elected Officials Organization and the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials. Councilmember Heredia earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and master’s degree in public administration from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Councilmember Julie Spilsbury, Councilmember Spilsbury began her first term representing District 2 in January 2021. A product of Mesa Public Schools, Ms. Spilsbury has been active for more than 17 years in local schools, earning an award from MPS for her volunteer work. Both of her parents were teachers, instilling in her a drive to support those who lead our children. She attended Brigham Young University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Jenny Jackson Robinson, District 2. Ms. Robinson is a science teacher at Mesa High School. She earned a bachelor’s degree in botany from Arizona State University and a master’s degree in secondary education from Grand Canyon University. She completed a partial term, and her first term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Historic Preservation Board** – Seven-member board including new appointments.

Jocelyn Skogebo, District 4. Ms. Skogebo owns Humblebee Home, an interior design business. She is a designer and has experience in private homes, renovations, commercial businesses, and boardrooms. She owns a historic home and participates in the Historic Home Tour. She earned a bachelor’s degree in interior design from Arizona State University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

James Babos, District 1. Mr. Babos is the owner and principal of Babos Design Studio, which has been involved in a wide variety of commercial and residential projects. He is a registered architect with the State of Arizona, earned a bachelor’s degree in architecture from University of Texas, Arlington, and a master’s degree in architecture from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

B.J. Parsons, District 6. Mr. Parsons is a real estate professional with 33 years of experience in residential and commercial property sales. He earned an associate degree in liberal arts from Fort Hayes State University and is a licensed realtor. He has participated on several boards including the Chico Association of Realtors, American Heart Association and Soroptimist International. He completed a partial term, and his first term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Housing & Community Development Board** – Eleven-member board including new appointments.

Habigail Nonthe Scott, District 3. Ms. Scott is currently enrolled at Mesa Community College and is a fruit expert at Edible Arrangements. She has experience as a volunteer teacher at Jumpstart Preschool and was a Campus Vote Project fellow. She is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese and honors diversity in providing customer service. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Walter Johnson, District 1. Mr. Johnson will fill the Manufactured Housing Representative position on the Housing & Community Development Board. He is a finance professional and manufactured home community advocate. He is a Manufactured Home Institute Councilman and a Manufactured Housing Communities of Arizona board member. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Human Relations Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board including new appointments.

Yudit Nonthe Sanchez, District 3. Ms. Sanchez is currently enrolled at Mesa Community College and is Student Body President. She is student chair of MCC's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Council, and an Immigration Coalition Organizer for Aliento. She has experience as an intern at the Musical Instrument Museum, Smithsonian Natural History Museum and Smithsonian National Zoo & Conservation Biology Institute. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Christiana Hammond, District 5. Ms. Hammond is a business operations specialist at Arizona State University's School of Human Evolution and Evolutionary Change. She has more than 20 years' experience in corporate, military, private and non-profit business environments and is active in the Human Rights Campaign. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Judicial Advisory Board** – Seven-member board including new appointments.

Theo Jamal McCalvin, District 4. Mr. McCalvin is a senior court operations specialist at Maricopa County Superior Court. He has extensive legal experience at state agencies, including the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Transportation. He earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Judge Joshua Rogers, The Honorable Joshua Rogers, a judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County, has been designated by the Presiding Judge of Maricopa County to serve on the Judicial Advisory Board. He serves the Juvenile Department at the Southeast Facility in Mesa. He completed a partial term, and his first term expires June 30, 2027.

Kelly Durham, District 1. Ms. Durham is the owner of K Durham Law, PLLC in Tempe and is a member of the Arizona Bar Association. She serves as the President of the Phoenix Zoo Auxiliary, on the Steering Committee of Arizona Women Lawyer's Association and as the District V Justice for Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity. She earned a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies from ASU and Juris Doctor from Texas A&M. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Kelli Lane Flinchbaugh, District 3. Ms. Flinchbaugh is a legal assistant at Jones, Skelton & Hochuli where she drafts and prepares correspondence, legal pleadings, and documents for litigation. She has more than 35 years of experience in multiple Valley law offices. She earned an associate degree from Phoenix College. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Library Advisory Board** – Nine-member board including new appointments.

Ellen Bachman, District 3. Ms. Bachman has nearly 10 years of professional experience in library management as an aide and paraprofessional and a background in student career development and tutoring. She earned a bachelor's degree in home economics from Bradley University and a master's degree in religion from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Her second term expires June 30, 2027.

Alisha Ward, District 6. Ms. Ward is a senior sales enablement and manager training specialist at DHL Express US. She was named Employee of the Year by DHL Express and a Top Woman in Sales. She earned a bachelor's degree in religious studies from Arizona State University. Her second term expires June 30, 2027.

**Museum & Cultural Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board including new appointments.

Katelyn Armbruster, District 2. Ms. Armbruster is university relations manager at University Studies Abroad Consortium. She is an international education professional and advocate of cultural exchange programs. She earned a bachelor's degree in global and environmental studies from Lehigh University and a master's degree in educational leadership from Northern Arizona University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Dr. Colleen Byron, District 4. Dr. Byron is an associate clinical professor and lead faculty in the Master of Organizational Leadership program at Northern Arizona University. She is also an organizational change and development consultant for the Arizona Historical Society. She earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, master's degree in public administration and doctorate in public administration from Arizona State University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Dr. Annalisa Alvrus, District 3. Dr. Alvrus is chair of the Cultural Science Department at Mesa Community College and a class instructor. Her area of expertise is infectious

disease and the impact of disease on human evolution. She earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology from the University of Tennessee, master's degree, and doctoral degree in anthropology from Arizona State University. Her second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Parks & Recreation Board** – Eleven-member board including new appointments.

Troy Campbell, District 1. Mr. Campbell is associate director of off-campus student relations at Arizona State University. He recently served on the City of Mesa Building Board of Appeals. He earned a bachelor's degree in government from the University of Redlands, a master's degree, and doctoral degree in educational leadership from Northern Arizona University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

Jeff Rush, District 1. Mr. Rush is the Director of Managed Services at United Rentals. He earned a bachelor's degree in international relations from Brigham Young University. He completed a partial term, and his first full term expires June 30, 2027.

**Personnel Appeals Board** – Five-member board including new appointments.

James May, District 6. Mr. May wears many hats after retiring from a career in state and local human resources departments in Arizona and California. He is currently a corporate relocation specialist, realtor, and management consultant. He earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of California – Santa Cruz. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Planning & Zoning Board** – Seven-member board including new appointments.

Troy Peterson, District 5. Mr. Peterson is the senior director of construction with the Arizona Cardinals Football Club and has extensive experience in project design, planning, construction, and management. He earned bachelor's degrees in business management and civil engineering from Utah State University and a master's in business administration from Arizona State University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.

**Transportation Advisory Board** – Eleven-member board including new appointments.

Michael James, District 1. Mr. James is the director of transportation planning at CivTech, Inc. He is a community-focused transportation professional and project manager with over 24 years of private and public sector experience. He earned a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from Washington State University and a master's degree in urban and regional planning from Eastern Washington University. His second term will expire June 30, 2027.