

JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

October 25, 2023

The Judicial Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in the lower-level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on October 25, 2023, at 7:45 a.m.

BOARD PRESENT

Kent Cattani, Chairperson
Kelley Durham
Kelli Flinchbaugh
Sonia Martinez
Joshua Rogers
Cody Turley

BOARD ABSENT

Theo McCalvin

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Anderson
Geoffrey Balon
Carrie Pile

1. Meeting called to order.

Chairperson Cattani called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m. and conducted a roll call. He excused Vice Chair McCalvin from the entire meeting.

2. Introduce new board members.

Reintroduced and welcomed Boardmembers Martinez, Rogers, and Turley.

3. Elect Chair and Vice Chair.

It was moved by Boardmember Flinchbaugh, seconded by Boardmember Durham, that Boardmember Cattani and Boardmember McCalvin be re-appointed as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Judicial Advisory Board.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Cattani–Durham–Flinchbaugh–Martinez–Rogers–Turley

NAYS – None

ABSENT – McCalvin

Chairperson Cattani declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. Items from citizens present.

There were no items from citizens present.

5. Convene an executive session.

It was moved by Boardmember Durham, seconded by Boardmember Flinchbaugh, that the Board enter into an Executive Session at 7:47 a.m.

AYES – Cattani–Durham–Flinchbaugh–Martinez–Rogers–Turley
NAYS – None
ABSENT – McCalvin

Chairperson Cattani declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

- a. Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion or resignation of a public officer, appointee, or employee of the City. (A.R.S. 38-431.03A (1));
 1. Reappointment of Presiding City Magistrate John Katz
 2. Reappointment of City Magistrates David Allen and Raymond Schumacher

(At 7:59 a.m. the Executive Session adjourned, and the Board reconvened their regular meeting.)

6. Review, discuss, and approve the schedule, work plan, and process for the 2023-2024 Reappointment Cycle of Presiding City Magistrate John Tatz, and City Magistrates David Allen and Raymond Schumacher.

In response to a question from Chairperson Cattani regarding the low survey responses and how to increase the response rate, Presiding Magistrate Tatz described the efforts that Court Administration has taken, including displaying QR codes in the courtroom. He mentioned the third-party survey company sends the surveys out.

Chairperson Cattani suggested emailing participants to increase responses and inquiring with other jurisdictions on their process.

Discussion ensued regarding how other jurisdictions handle the judicial surveys.

Presiding Magistrate Tatz stated he would explore additional options. He added that he is preparing his State of the Court to present at the next meeting in January.

7. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

Next meeting:

January 31, 2024, 7:45 a.m.
Lower-Level Council Chambers
57 E. First Street

8. Adjourn.

Without objection, the Judicial Advisory Board adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Judicial Advisory Board meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 25th day of October 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK

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