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Judicial Advisory Board City of Avondale, Arizona Meeting Minutes

Joseph Kreamer

Chair

CERTIFICATION AND ATTESTATION

I hereby certify that the accompanying document is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the aforementioned meeting. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that the quorum was present.

Ted A Flores

Ted A Flores (May 19, 2022 09:16 PDT)

Staff Liaison

05/19/2022

Date Approved





CITY OF AVONDALE

JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, April 12, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Online Meeting

Join the meeting: <https://avondaleaz.zoom.us/j/2752797591>

Call 346-248-7799 (meeting ID:275-279-7591)

Minutes

The following Board Members were in attendance:

Paul Lemmon
Michael Kielsky
Joseph Kreamer
Ray Harwood
David Garrison
John Burkholder

The following staff members were in attendance:

Norma Larios, Sr. HR Analyst
Ted Flores, HR Manager
Andrea Dumbrell, HR Director

Public Session

Called to order: 5:32 PM

1. Approve minutes from May 18, 2020

Board Member Lemmon motioned to approve the minutes as read, Board Member Kreamer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Acting City Manager's Welcome/Introduction

Acting City Manager, Chelene Penilla, addressed the board and thanked them for their service.

3. Select a chairperson and vice-chairperson

Board Member Burkholder motioned to appoint Board Member Kreamer as chairperson, Board Member Lemmon seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously. Board Member Lemmon motioned to appoint Board Member Burkholder as vice-chairperson, Board Member Kreamer seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.



4. Overview of process and board member responsibilities

Chairperson Kreamer provided an overview to the Board regarding the process and their responsibilities. The board then reviewed the former staff, attorney, and litigant survey.

The Board determined to move forward with the staff and attorney survey as established in 2020. The Board discussed the litigant survey and finalized edits in an effort to obtain more feedback than in recent years. The survey's opening paragraph was shortened and a baseline question on Judge Jennings's overall performance was put at the beginning of the survey utilizing the same option as the other sections of the survey. No other changes were made to the survey.

The Board discussed the timeline for the surveys. The surveys will be made available to staff, litigants, and attorneys in late April 2022 and will have a deadline of early June 2022. The litigant survey will be made available via email with a link to the SurveyMonkey survey, and City Court staff will provide a safe and anonymous option for litigants in-person.

The Board requested staff send them previous interview questions via email. Chairperson Kreamer requested the Board review the questions and prepare questions they would like to ask Judge Jennings during the process to the next meeting for discussion.

5. Confirm the next meeting dates

Tuesday, May 17th at 5:30 PM (Zoom) – Review suggestions and finalize interview questions for Judge Jennings

Wednesday, June 15 at 5:30 PM (In-Person TBD) – Hear public comments, interview judge Jennings, and vote on whether to recommend Judge Jennings to City Council.

6. Adjournment

Board Member Kreamer motioned to adjourn the meeting, Board Member Lemmon seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

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