



Landscape Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting June 17, 2026 Hybrid Meeting

This was a Hybrid meeting: In-person will be at Parks & Recreation Administration Building, 900 S Randolph Way, Mesquite Room with a Teams link. All available materials related to the agenda items will be posted on the City Clerk's page: BCC listings, Landscape Advisory Committee [<https://www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/boards?board=44>].

Members Present: Petr Chylik, Darbi Davis, Teresa Dekoker, Amy Martin, Jenny Moscato, Kasy Schug, Ryan Stevenson, Bo Yang
Members Absent: Rebeca Field, Flor Sandoval
Guests/Staff: Ian Wan, PDSD: Brian Underwood PDSD; Dawn Gouge, UA Ag Extension; Sarah Meggison, PDSD: James MacAdam, TW: Daniel Bradshaw, The Planning Center; Celeste Gambil, UA Ag Extension

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order at 3:40 p.m. by D.Davis; verbal roll call – 8 members present, quorum present

2. Minutes and LAR for Approval

- May meeting canceled due to lack of Quorum
- April 15, 2026 Minutes; Motion to approve both LAR and Minutes by J.Moscato, second by K.Schug; no further discussion. Yes-8, No-0, Abstain-0. Motion passed
- Error - Jan. 2026 Legal Action Report sent; will resend April 15, 2026 LAR for approval in Sept. meeting

3. Discussion

- A. LAC member Darbi Davis 1st term ending; has agreed to stay on for 2nd term. Members thanking D.Davis and support to nominate D.Davis for 2nd term. Motion by J.Moscato to recommend appointment for 2nd term, second by K.Schug. No further discussion. Yes-8, No-0, Abstain-0; Motion passed.
- B. Meet & Greet - Dawn Gouge & Celeste Gambill – Desert Horticuture Conference: Dawn self-introduced herself, role with Ag Extension; handed off to Celeste who will be coordinating Desert Hort Conference 2026; secured El Conquistador, keeping 3 tracts same (Plants/Health, Plants, Water/Urban Landscapes); would like introduce hand-on experience identifying landscape pests in main room with microscopes and identification; asking assistance in i) education gaps, ii) fire mitigation/firewise, if know anyone, iii) June 29 with be first meeting of planning group; iv) requesting assistance with donors/sponsors; new logo for conference
- C. Plant Discussion: A.Martin has taken on task of standardizing information across categories, naming conventions; exploring using icons for info (i.e., different desert natives); cross-referencing shrub/small tree, maintenance vocab; adding more grasses, have column for uses; ? include 1 native palm (*Washingtonia filifera*); Use Sien Net as common resource; Amy + Darbi work on grasses, shrubs + perennials; Teresa + Bo work on vines; Jenny + Irene work on succulents; setting Mayor & Council meetings = Amy + Teresa – W3 : Jenny – W6 : Ryan – W1

+ W6; no one volunteered for W2, W4 or W5; io check spelling of LAC names on Memo. LAC members will email date/time/W office made appoint – if others available, will attend, also send list of appts to PDSD

D. Quarterly Newsletter topic: postponed till Sept.

4. Chairperson's Summary of Current:
 - 4th of July | 5:30-9:30 – Kino Sports Center – Diamonds in the Sky,
 - SHADE Conference, 8/21/2026, Glendale, AZ
 - Crime Pays But Botany Doesn't w/ Joey Santore = YouTube and podcasts
5. Call to Audience (time permitting): none
6. Future Agenda Items:
 - Meetings with Mayor & Council
 - Graywater concepts
 - Quarterly newsletter review
7. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 5:02 pm