

ATTACHMENT A



City of Phoenix

To: City Council
From: Mayor Kate Gallego

Date: November 15, 2023

Subject: BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS – APPOINTEES

The purpose of this memo is to provide recommendations for appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Environmental Quality and Sustainability Commission

I recommend the following for appointment:

Baltazar Hernandez

Mr. Hernandez is the Capacity Building Program Manager at the Nature Conservancy and a resident of District 8. He fills a vacancy for a term to expire August 31, 2026.

Expenditure Limit Task Force

I recommend the Council appoint an Expenditure Limit Task Force and initiate the quadrennial review process to carefully study the State Expenditure Limit effect on the City of Phoenix. The Task Force will recommend a proposal for placement on the November 2024 County election ballot.

THE ISSUE

In 1980, Arizona voters approved a constitutional amendment limiting local government spending to 1979-80 amounts adjusted for annual growth in population and inflation. This constitutional amendment included provisions for obtaining voter approval to exceed those limits. Since 1980, Phoenix has had nine home rule options approved by the voters.

Each of our prior home rule options have been thoroughly studied and recommended by task forces. Our current home rule option will expire on June 30, 2025. A proposal must be presented to the voters in the regular election of November 2024 in order to be in place by July 1, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that a Task Force once again be appointed and charged with reviewing the revenue and expenditure forecasts prepared by City of Phoenix staff, studying the potential effects of the constitutional limit, and recommend a proposal to the Mayor and City Council for referral to the ballot. The following schedule is recommended for their work:

- November 2023 - Appointment of Task Force
- February/March 2024 - Task Force meetings
- April 2024 - Task Force presents findings to the City Council
- May 2024 - Two required public hearings
- May 2024 - Required analysis transmitted to the State Auditor General
- June 2024 - Adoption of the form of the ballot
- August 2024 - Publicity pamphlet materials prepared
- November 5, 2024 - Election Day

I recommend the following for appointment:

Rachel Aja
Robin Reed
Todd Sanders
Monica Villalobos
Bryan Willingham

Phoenix Aviation Advisory Board

I recommend the following for appointment:

Annette Musa

Ms. Musa is a Senior Vice President at Bank of America Private Bank. She fills a vacancy for a term to expire November 15, 2027.