

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: June 7, 2022

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The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014, is designed to help job seekers access employment, education training and supportive services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. In Arizona, the Governor has designated the Workforce Arizona Council (WAC) as the Workforce Development Board and as the Governor's representative. Arizona's administrative entity for WIOA Title I, III, and IV funds is the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES).

For Pima County, the Local Chief Elected Official (LCEO) is the current Chair of the Pima County Board of Supervisors and the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) is known as the Pima County Workforce Investment Board (WIB). Pima County's administrative entity for WIOA Title I-B funds is Community & Workforce Development (CWD). CWD also provides administrative support to the WIB.

#### Discussion:

The following individuals applied for and are recommended for appointment on the WIB to fill vacancies left by members who are no longer eligible to serve on the WIB as they have retired or are unable to continue their service.

Victor Gonzalez, Economic Development Director, Town of Sahuarita to replace Dr Margaret Higgins in the Governmental, Economic and Community Development (GECD) category

Magdalena Verdugo, Executive Director YWCA of Southern Arizona, to replace Michelle Bettini in the Workforce Community Based Organization category.

## Conclusion:

The appointment of the two individuals representing the GECD and Workforce CBO categories would allow for the WIB to remain in compliance and continue their commitment to workforce activities in Pima County.

### Recommendation:

Based on their eligibility and commitment for service in Pima County, staff recommends the appointment of Victor Gonzalez, GECD, term expiration 9/30/2024 to replace Dr. Margaret Higgins. Magdalena Verdugo, Workforce CBO, term expiration 9/30/2024 to replace Michelle Bettini.

# Fiscal Impact:

NONE

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