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From: Jane Orient [redacted]
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Subject: BoS meeting

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item 22--replacement of Treasurer

The county needs a Treasurer with the experience and qualifications to manage a $2 billion budget with prudence and integrity, such as Chris Ackerly, not a 22 year old devoted to spending to advance what he perceives to be social justice to the detriment of County taxpayers.

Item 26--Outside Agencies support

Why should the County be giving taxpayer money to tax-exempts to support causes the taxpayers may not approve? The only listed ones that seem to support the general welfare are community food banks, and GAP, which supports foster families among other things. Why should one disease, a lifestyle disease at that, get special support? Or groups that support foreigners, especially those trying to circumvent immigration laws? Or sectarian (or purportedly sectarian) groups such as Catholic Social Services? Or Girl Scouts? Where are reports showing exactly what the organizations do--aside from paying lavish salaries to CEOs.

Item #3--election oversight

the County needs to provide all the grant award documentation. Where is the promised transparency?

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Jane M. Orient, MD
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From: Gregory Eddings [redacted]
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Subject: Sami Hamed for Pima County Treasurer

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July 11, 2026

Dear Chair and Members of the Board:

We are writing to give our support for Sami Hamed's appointment to the position of Pima County Treasurer following the departure of Brian Johnson.

We have had the pleasure of knowing Sami for the past 6 years and in that time have got to know of his commitment to serving our community. We have also had the opportunity of working with Sami on a few campaigns as Notaries and have witnessed his honesty and professionalism serving the public.

Sami is always willing to share his knowledge and understanding of how local government functions. His ability to comprehend and explain complex issues in an approachable way is another strength that Sami possesses. Sami is someone we would always go to when we have questions about local government.

We feel Sami has the leadership, competence, and stability to step into the position of Pima County Treasurer. His leadership is an asset to the residents of Pima County.

Sami is well respected by his colleagues and other community members. Sami has an unwavering commitment to transparency and in doing what is right and just in the service of our community. His ability to be accountable, transparent, committed and engaging with community members are an asset a strong leader needs, which Sami possesses.

We respectfully encourage the Board of Supervisors to appoint Sami Hamed as Pima County Treasurer. We are confident he will serve the community of Pima County with integrity and dedication.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Eddings
2759 W Anklam RD
Tucson, AZ 85745

George Vissichelli
2100 W Armadillo St
Tucson, AZ 85713

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From: Dale Kaneshiro [redacted]
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Greetings,
My name is Dale Kaneshiro, and I attended the webinar held by the League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson this past Tuesday. Out of all the candidates that spoke at The Forum, one candidate I believe stuck out the most. Sami Hamed I truly believe would be a perfect candidate for this position as treasure for Pima county. When I met Sami back in 2023 as one of my many passangers through public transportation, I have always known him as a goal-oriented driven individual. As I still humbly serve my community Through the same occupation, I constantly hear the many concerns on a daily basis. And the top of them concearns when it comes to elected officials, trust is the key issue. Trust and transparency, I know it sounds cliche but I truely believe Sami is a man of his word. And all it takes is one trust worthy individual in office, I believe will set the pace for Tucsons future. And by giving Sami the opportunity to show what he can do in the Treasures office, I believe the citizens of Pima County will see a difference for the better. In this Tuedays forum, not only did he described his true passion for the community, but having transparency and better costumer service is a must. Through his education, and his past experience in roles that serve our community, his transition into the Treasures office would be successful. And with that, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all members on the board of supervisors for a job well done on makeing the choices to shape Pimia County future.

Sincearly,
Dale Kaneshiro
Pimia County Resident

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Gizelle Morales

From: Brenda Marts [redacted]
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Subject: County Treasurer

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Dear County Administrators,

Your appointment of Jake Martin for Pima County Treasurer deserves careful consideration. The Treasurer is responsible for safeguarding and investing public funds, collecting property taxes, managing cash flow, and ensuring the county's finances are handled responsibly. These responsibilities require financial knowledge, sound judgment, and the ability to manage a complex public office.

Jake Martin, was appointed Chief Deputy Treasurer in November 2024 at age 21 after Brian Johnson was elected Treasurer. Before joining the Treasurer's Office, Martin was a University of Arizona student who ran for the District 1 Board of Supervisors seat during the 2024 Democratic primary. His bachelor's degree is in Human Development and Family Studies.

During his Board of Supervisors campaign, Martin's platform emphasized expanding access to healthcare and social services. Those priorities are appropriate subjects for debate in legislative offices such as the Board of Supervisors. However, the Treasurer's Office has a much different mission. Its primary responsibility is protecting, investing, and managing taxpayer funds—not developing public policy or advocating for social programs.

As a taxpayer, I believe the Board should focus first on candidates with substantial financial experience, investment knowledge, cash management expertise, and a demonstrated record of managing large public budgets. The Treasurer oversees billions of dollars in county funds, and the position requires technical financial competence as much as administrative leadership.

I also noticed that several letters supporting Mr. Martin's application came from employees within the Treasurer's Office, while former Treasurer Beth Ford submitted a recommendation supporting another applicant, Derika Louk. Board members should carefully review every applicant's qualifications, work history, education, management experience, and letters of recommendation before making this important appointment.

This decision should not be based on politics, ideology, or campaign experience. It should be based on who is best prepared to fulfill the statutory responsibilities of the County Treasurer and protect the financial interests of Pima County taxpayers.

You should encourage residents to review the applicants' resumes and letters of interest before making

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this commitment. An informed public makes for better government, and this appointment will have lasting consequences for the stewardship of nearly $2 billion in county funds.

Signed,
Taxpayer Pima County

Gizelle Morales

From: [redacted]
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Subject: Derrick Espadas for Pima County Treasurer

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing in to support Derrick Espadas's bid for Pima County Treasurer. I believe he cares about accountability and doing the right thing.

Yours,
Susan Wenger

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From: Ravi Shah [redacted]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2026 7:58 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: In support of Derika Louk

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing on behalf of myself in support of Derika Louk for our next Pima County Treasurer.

I had the opportunity to work with Derika for the past year and a half on the TUSD Audit Committee in my role as TUSD Governing Board Liaison to the committee where Derika served as a member and Chair of the committee.

I have experienced her financial acumen and expertise in this role as she helps the district address financial issues and audit details. Her questions and advice have been sound and respected by others on the committee and staff. I trust she has the financial background to help our county as our Treasurer.

I have also experienced her leadership and people-management during the past year as our Chair. She led the committee in recruiting, interviewing, hiring, and onboarding an internal auditor. She has also helped our district navigate challenging personnel issues with grace and appropriateness. These skills will help her lead our County's team at the Treasurer's office as it heals and repairs in the months ahead and beyond.

Sincerely,
Ravi Shah
President, TUSD Governing Board

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From: Bill Yohey [redacted]
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July, 10, 2026

Melissa Manriquez
Pima County Clerk of the Board
130 W. Congress St. 1 st Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Pima County Supervisors,

I am writing a letter of support for Sami Hamid for the position of Pima County Treasurer. I believe that Mr. Habid is highly qualified for a variety of reasons. As a retired Town Manager and Information Systems Manager, I value good communication and knowledge skills of staff members as the key to a successful department to achieving their stated goals. This is a skill that not everyone has. But I believe Mr. Habid has it. Let me explain.

I first met Mr. Hamed when I was a signature gatherer for an organization called "Fieldworks". His position was to check all the gather's petitions for mistakes as a notary, so that the documents were legally correct. He would very calmly point out mistakes on some of my petitions, so I would learn how to legally record them correctly on my sheets as I was new to this job. He also treated other people the same way. In my experience, I appreciated that approach. I also work for him as a team leader at LUCHA in managing a group of canvassers. He always was concerned about how my group's day went without micromanaging us. A sign of a good manager. Some other reasons I strongly believe Mr. Habid would be an excellent choice to be the Pima County Treasurer.

After my experiences at Fieldworks, Mr. Habid and I became friends due to our interest in government and what our pass experiences in employment we had. We discuss dealing with budgets, building coalitions and how to improve our job to better help people in having a better life through our pass jobs. Some of these were budget

expenditures, a team approach to leading, and to be accessible to staff when they ask for assistance! I liked his paradigm of government so much volunteer for his campaign! Lastly, after watching the debate earlier this week, I am convinced he is the man for the

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job! His management skills, common sense and responsibility to his staff, are intangible qualities that are hard to measure, but Mr. Habid has them.

Sincerely,
Bill Yohey
Pima County. AZ.
[redacted]

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Ellie Martin

From: William Craig [redacted]
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My name is William Craig. I am a retired teacher from TUSD and I remain active in community affairs. I would like to say this about Dan Dempsey.

Dan has *run RFPs for major bank treasury integrations. His experience is undeniable and his integrity beyond reproach.*
For this reason I hope that you would give Daniel Dempsey serious consideration for the post of County Treasurer.

Thank you for your attention,
W. J. Craig
2043 E. Third Street
Tucson, Arizona 85719-5104
[redacted]

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