



Board of Supervisors Memorandum

April 18, 2017

New Member Recommended for the Pima County Fair Commission

Background

On June 3, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 2014-56, which increased the membership of the Pima County Fair Commission (Commission) from five to seven.

As discussed in the attached letter from Chair Judy Patrick, the Commission conducted an appropriate recruitment/selection process. The selection process was extensive and thorough, and the Commission recommends the appointment of Mr. Garrett Ham.

Recommendation

I recommend the Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the Pima County Fair Commission and appoint Mr. Garrett Ham to serve as a member of the Commission through December 31, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

CHH/mjk – April 13, 2017

Attachment

c: Judy Patrick, Chair, Pima County Fair Commission
Jon Baker, Executive Director, Southwestern Fair Commission, Inc.

PIMA COUNTY FAIR COMMISSION
11300 E. Houghton Road
Tucson, AZ

March 30, 2017

Mr. Charles H. Huckelberry
County Administrator
Pima County Government
110 Congress Street 10th Floor
Tucson, Az 85701

Dear Mr. Huckelberry:

The Pima County Fair Commission has a commissioner appointment that expired on December 31, 2016.

Pursuant to the Board of Supervisor's policy, the Southwestern Fair Commission Inc. makes recommendations for candidates to the Pima County Fair Commission and the Pima County Fair Commission makes nominations to the Board of Supervisors.

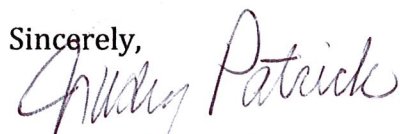
Following an extensive outreach effort to attract applicants, the Southwestern Fair Commission met on March 28, 2017 to interview two finalists. We were very pleased with both candidates and wished there had been two openings. At this time, we are recommending Garrett Ham. He is an owner of Santa Rita Landscaping. He and his family have been involved in 4-H for over 50 years. He has been on the Arizona National Livestock Show Board, Pima County Agricultural Citizen's Advisory Committee, member of the Farm Bureau, Professional Landscape Designers Association and Executive's Association of Tucson.

One of the initiatives the Southwestern Fair Commission identified for the next year is to promote programs that create community education about agriculture in today's world. Mr. Ham offered many creative and imaginative ideas on this subject as this is something he is personally interested in.

In reviewing our skill needs on the board, we believe his business, horticulture and agriculture background and experience is a superior fit to our current board makeup.

The Pima County Fair Commission met on March 28, 2017, considered this recommendation and therefore nominates Garret Ham serve a new four-year term.

Sincerely,



Judith A. Patrick, President

C: Dr. Marvin Selke, President, SWFC, Inc.