



# Commission of Food Security, Heritage, and Economy

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Commission on Food Security, Heritage, and Economy and to the general public that the Commission will hold the following meeting which will be open to the public on:

**Friday, March 15th, 2019, 10:00 a.m.**  
Mark Fay Conference Room  
Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona  
3003 S. Country Club Road, Tucson, Arizona 85713

## **Legal Action Report**

### **1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m.

Present:

Rani Olsen  
David Ludwig  
Mike Peel  
Doug Taren  
Robert Ojeda  
Josh Proctor  
Marie Long  
Kara Jones  
Claudio Rodriguez  
Dora Martinez  
Shelby Thompson

Absent:

Cie'na Schaefli  
Dan McDonald  
Gary P. Nabhan  
Debbie Weingarten

### **2. Action: Review and Approval of August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Retreat Minutes**

Josh made a motion to approve the minutes. Robert seconded. The vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

### **3. Action: Review and Approval of October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Minutes**

Josh made a motion to approve the minutes. David seconded. The vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

### **4. Discussion: Commission Effectiveness**

Robert started the discussion on why it has been difficult for the commission to move forward, especially in this last year. Part of the problem is there is no one in the city to work on food issues; part of the problem is

that the commissioners do not have enough time to spend on commission projects; part of the problem is not enough commissioners are able to come to the meetings.

There was discussion around the role of the commission and in what ways they are effective.

There was discussion around the challenge of meeting quorum, and general agreement that if the commission did stay in place, that the number of commissioners should be reduced. Mike and Robert expressed that Local First and the Community Food Bank, and likely the Pima County Food Alliance, do not need three nominees. Claire explained how there are currently 3 vacant seats on the commission, which makes it even harder to meet the quorum of 9 people.

There was discussion around the importance of having a food commission in a UNESCO city of gastronomy.

## **5. Action: Vote on How to Move Forward**

Josh made a motion to dissolve the commission if it doesn't affect our UNESCO standing.

Doug amended the motion to first reduce the size of the commission, then dissolve the commission *in 6 months* if they don't meet two key performance indicators, and if it doesn't affect UNESCO standing. David seconded.

Ricard voted to dissolve

Kara was undecided

Claudio voted to reduce size of commission and dissolve in six months if continue to be ineffective.

Mike voted to reduce size of commission and dissolve in six months if continue to be ineffective. He also wanted to put commission goals forward to various groups to see if their needs are otherwise met.

Rani voted to dissolve.

Mari voted to reduce size of commission and dissolve in six months if continue to be ineffective.

Josh voted to dissolve

Shelby was undecided

Robert voted to dissolve

Final vote: Motion passes.

4 votes to dissolve

5 votes to reduce size of commission and dissolve in six months if continue to be ineffective.

2 abstains

## **The Commission will remain in existence and the commission will vote at the October 2019 meeting whether to dissolve or not.**

The Commission will determine the two performance indicators at the upcoming April 2019 meeting.

Claire will find a time for everyone to meet and will come back with information on how the commission can shrink in size to become more effective.

## **6. Future Agenda Items**

This item was skipped due to lack of time.

## **7. Call to the Audience**

This item was skipped due to lack of time.

**8. Announcements**

This item was skipped due to lack of time.

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.