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Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Memorandum

Item No. 5
Topic: Scottsdale Farming and Ranching Historic Context
Action Requested: Presentation and Comments
Meeting Date: June 2, 2016
From: Commissioner Mark Hackbarth
Through: Steve Venker, Historic Preservation Officer

Background

Commissioner Mark Hackbarth, Graduate Student Intern Travis Cook and Former Commissioner Cathy Johnson have been doing research for the Historic Context related to farming/ranching in Scottsdale.

Discussion / Possible Direction

Below is a preliminary outline for the historic context. Commissioner Hackbarth is requested that the Historic Preservation Commission review and comment about the outline. In addition, Commissioner Hackbarth is curious to know if any of the other Commissioners want to write a section for the historic context.

The historic context outline:

- I. Introduction
- II. Physical Setting (1 paragraph)
- III. Cultural Setting (2-5 paragraphs – emphasis on 1867-1950; emphasis on economic events that affected settlement)
- IV. Irrigation in the Phoenix Basin (1-2 paragraph history of events for each subsection)
 - a. Native American (Akimel O’Odham and Piipaash)
 - b. Tempe
 - c. Mesa
 - d. Phoenix
 - e. Scottsdale
- V. Land Use in Scottsdale (title chain research, oral history, maps, photographs to identify spatial distribution of farms/ranches)
- VI. Research Themes (questions that could be addressed from historic archaeological sites)
- VII. Predictive Model (where to anticipate historic archaeological sites related to farming, ranching, businesses based on results of the land use study)