

OCTOBER 2019 BUDGET FORUM



City of Peoria Rio Vista Recreation Center
8866 W Thunderbird Rd., Peoria, AZ 85381



Tom Belshe

Tom currently serves as deputy director of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns. Prior to working at the League, Tom worked as the community development manager for Greater Arizona Development Authority (GADA), developing the technical assistance and the community outreach programs, before being appointed as GADA's executive director in 1999. Tom has also served as an assistant deputy director for the Department of Commerce overseeing the operations of the community development division. Tom received his Bachelor of Science in economics and his Master of Public Administration degree from Brigham Young University.

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Megan Lynn

Megan joined the Scottsdale City Manager's Office in March 2018. Megan previously worked for the Arizona Office of the Auditor General as a Performance Auditor I/II. Megan earned a bachelor's degree in creative writing from the University of Arizona and a master's degree in public policy from Arizona State University.

As Management Assistant to the City Manager, Megan coordinates citywide initiatives and manages special projects for the City Manager and Assistant City Managers. She is the team leader for Scottsdale's cross-departmental High-Performance and Innovation Team, which carries out the city's performance management initiative, and in 2018 co-ordinate the effort to achieve What Works Cities Silver Certification.



Scott McCarty

Scott McCarty received a B.S. from the University of Redlands, California and is a CPA. He has worked his entire career in public service for local governments in Arizona and Washington, almost 30 years.

Scott is policy oriented and strategic in his approach. His experience in defined benefit pension plans is very extensive. Several years ago, he chaired the League's Task Force on PSPRS reform and served on the GFOA's Committee on Retirement and Benefits Administration. Currently, he serves as a trustee on the PSPRS Board.

He enjoys the exchange of ideas during the public speaking process and is always looking for that next "good idea."

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George Pettit

George Pettit joined ASU as a Professor of Practice in May, 2012. He has a Bachelor's and Master's in Public Administration from the University of Colorado, Boulder and is a graduate of the Harvard Senior Executives in State and Local Government Program. He served in local government for over 30 years starting in Des Moines, Iowa and completing his career with 25 years' service to the Town of Gilbert Arizona including eight years as Manager. In that time Gilbert grew from 12,105 to 204,000 people. His areas of expertise include all aspects of financial planning and management, strategic planning, and general management. Included in his current ASU responsibilities is coordination of the Marvin Andrews Fellowship at ASU, a program dedicated to developing the next generation of municipal managers. He was appointed as Associate Director of the School of Public Affairs in July, 2013, completing the appointment in August, 2015.



Brent Stockwell

Brent Stockwell is assistant city manager at the City of Scottsdale, Arizona. He coordinates citywide initiatives such as performance management and strategic planning, as well as special projects for the city manager and executive team. He also oversees the city's citizen service, diversity, emergency management, purchasing and tourism and events efforts.

Brent has worked in Scottsdale since 2002 in a variety of positions including citizen liaison, assistant to mayor/council, acting city auditor and strategic initiatives director. Brent also worked for the cities of Mesa, Arizona, and Federal Way, Washington.

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Janet Woolum

Janet is the Performance Administrator for the City of Mesa (AZ) overseeing the City's organizational performance management initiatives, which includes managing the City's MesaStat performance measurement program. Previously, she worked for more than a decade as a lead facilitator on the Maricopa County (AZ) Managing for Results initiative, and in Arizona state government as a strategic planning director for the Commerce/Tourism department. She also is an instructor in the Arizona State University Certified Public Manager's program. Janet has a Master's Degree in History from Arizona State University, and holds a PhD in Public Administration, with an emphasis in performance management, from Arizona State University.