



**PIMA COUNTY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
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Brad Johns

Brad Johns is President of Brad Johns Consulting LLC, an information technology consulting firm. He retired from IBM in 2010 after a 32-year career that included marketing and sales management, consulting and project leadership. Brad is active in the community and is a past President of the Tucson chapter of the American Marketing Association, Republican Chairman for Legislative District 9, a Commissioner on the Pima County Planning and Zoning Commission and President of his homeowner's association. He holds a Master in Business Administration and Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Arizona.

Dr. Barbara Becker, FAICP

Retired Professor of Planning and Dean of the College of Urban and Public Affairs at the University of Texas, Arlington, was professor and department chair at the University of Arizona prior to going to Texas. She has been active in the profession of planning and within her community serving on a variety of community and government boards, holding several offices in the state and national levels of the American Planning Association and in the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning and chairing the Planning Accreditation Board.

Jodi A. Bain, Esq.

Ms. Bain is an AV® Preeminent Rated attorney among her peers and is licensed to practice law in Arizona & New York. She also speaks Spanish. Her client practice spans business, regulatory, real estate and tax matters. Ms. Bain came to Arizona with her family in the 1980s. She attended Amphitheater High School. She later received a Bachelors from Brandeis University, holds a Masters in International Economic Affairs from George Washington University, a Juris Doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis, a LL.M from Universidad Carlos III De Madrid, Spain, and completed an executive program at Harvard Kennedy School of Government. She has volunteered to serve on various community boards including the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson, Handmaker, TMC Foundation, WorldCare, and is a Flinn-Brown Fellow with the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership.

Robert Cook

Robert has wide-ranging planning experience working in the public, private, and non-profit sectors. He is President of NEST, Inc, a non-profit community development organization operating in Tucson since 1989. After his strategic planning role at Pima Community College during the College's rapid growth in the 1990s, Robert became a full-time smart design, planning, and development advocate: he served on the Cost of Growth Task Force as part of the City of Tucson's 2001 General Plan 10-year update, contributed to the City's Development Impact Fee system, and actively participated in the regional sustainable building movement.

As past-chair of the Tucson-Pima Metropolitan Energy Commission, he contributed to the early development of Civano - Tucson's Solar Village and promoted energy efficiency in buildings and electrification of transportation. As Treasurer of the City's 2003 Citizens Transportation Initiative ballot measure, he promoted multi-modal transportation and transit-oriented development. Robert co-founded Sustainable Tucson in 2006 and with the local Sierra Club, he led the 2009 Metro Tucson Climate Change Starter Plan.

He also served on the 2008-10 Tucson-Pima Regional Water and Wastewater Study Committee; the Regional Transportation Authority's Citizens Accountability for Regional Transportation (CART) Committee (2006-2016); and currently is a two-term member of the Pima County Planning & Zoning Commission.

Robert co-authored two books in 1975 on 1) environmental design and planning and 2) large-scale renewable energy development based on research conducted at the University of Pennsylvania in collaboration with American visionary, R. Buckminster Fuller. **Energy, Earth and Everyone** (2nd edition: DoubleDay, New York 1980) was one of the very first global macro strategies for transitioning from fossil fuels to an entirely renewable, regenerative planetary energy system.

He graduated with distinction in economics from the University of Arizona and received an M.S. in Systems Planning under a Dean's Fellowship from the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania. His master's thesis was titled, "Employment Impact Analysis and the Creation of Work: Toward a Reformulation of Economic Development." He was granted two U.S. Patents on building structures and has been an active resident of Tucson since 1960.

Robert was born in Bogota, Colombia, the city which invented "Cyclovia" – the community bicycling event adopted the world over including Tucson and which boasts a world-class transit system -- the "TransMilenio."

Bruce Gungle

Bruce is a hydrologist with the United States Geological Survey. He has been a member of the Pima County Planning and Zoning Commission twice, with over 13 years of total service. When not studying water or reviewing planning and zoning documents, Bruce runs 50 and 100 mile races, mountain bikes trails all over southern Arizona, writes a bit of poetry and the occasional short story, and spends time with his wife, Carolyn, and their hounds, Clyde and Doc.

David Hook

David Hook lives in Vail Arizona and serves as a commissioner for District 4. Mr. Hook has a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a Master's of Science in Engineering from Arizona State University. During his engineering career he performed work in both public and private sectors specializing in traffic engineering and transportation planning. Mr. Hook served on the Transportation Research Board's Highway Capacity Committee during the development of the 2000 Highway Capacity Manual, one of the major resources for the field of traffic engineering. After receiving a Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary in 2007, Mr. Hook moved to Tucson and serves as the Pastor of Christ Lutheran Vail Church.

Ryan Maese**Armando Membrila**

Armando Membrila had a long career in the fields of construction and engineering. Working in both the public and private sectors. He recently retired from the State of Arizona Highway Division after 23 years of service. As a native Tucsonan, Membrila is dedicated to the community. He is a member of the Lion's Club and Knights of Columbus. He also serves on the Planning and Zoning Commission, having been appointed in June. He finds his work on both county committees to be rewarding, and especially enjoys his collaboration with fellow committee members and the departments' professional staff members.

William Matter

Bill has been a faculty member of the University of Arizona since late 1978, and retired in January 2017. He was a professor of Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation, specializing in the ecology of aquatic systems, in the School of Natural Resources and the Environment. He also was the Associate Director of the School for several years. Bill has been a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission since 1998, and has served two terms as its Chair.

Tom Tronsdal