

## **Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Pre 9/11 Advisory Committee Meeting**

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service  
3839 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ste 209, Phoenix, Arizona 85012  
November 16th, 2021, 11:00 a.m.

### **Committee Members Present**

Nicholas Bielinski  
Jeremy Farr  
Jessica Morel  
Patrick Diomede  
James Sammons  
Timothy Rogers  
Cynthia Olortegui Vargas

### **Committee Members Absent**

Nicole Baker, AZDVS Designee

### **Arizona Department of Veterans' Services Staff**

#### **CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. and called for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on October 19th, 2021. Jessica Morel moved to approve the draft minutes from last month, Patrick Diomede seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski read the Advisory Committee's Disclosure Policy. Advisory Committee members must disclose their knowledge of an applicant to the Advisory Committee during the consideration process. Knowledge of an applicant that benefits all members of the Advisory Committee during the consideration process does not create a conflict of interest. If an Advisory Committee member has knowledge of an applicant and has a vested interest in the outcome of the Committee's findings or seeks to benefit or gain from a vote on a particular application, he/she is required to recuse his or herself from consideration of that applicant as it creates a conflict of interest.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski moved the meeting to executive session at 11:05 a.m. to discuss Military Family Relief Fund (MFRF) applications in meeting packet that are according to ARS 41-608.04. E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

#### **APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski returned the meeting to public session at 11:40 a.m. to vote on applications in meeting packet.

- 1. 2021-11 C TIP** Jessica Morel moved to approve the application for the Transition in Pace program up to \$10,000. The committee requests documentation for the \$300k debt the applicant mentioned in the application for record keeping. Patrick Diomede seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**2. 2021-11 L** Jessica Morel moved to approve the application as requested. Timothy Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**MARKETING REPORT**

No reports from the committee

**ADJOURNMENT**

Cynthia Olortegui Vargas moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting at 11:45 a.m. Patrick Diomedede seconded and the meeting closed.

**CALL TO PUBLIC**

No members of the public were present.