



## City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

**Meeting Date:** 08/20/2024

**Announcement - "Ambitious Archie, Building a Legacy Through Acts of the Heart" book** has been written and released by local Boynton Beach residents Tevin Ali & Tania Shindo-Henderson. This new book was recently released on August 2, 2024 and is available on Amazon and in local bookstores.

**Requested Action:** Commissioner Cruz requested this announcement to share with residents.

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### Explanation of Request:

### About the Authors

Tevin Ali is a national, award-winning motivational speaker for college and high school students through his organization Talk With Tevin LLC. He speaks to colleges and schools across the United States on the topics of overcoming adversity, resiliency, leadership, and personal growth (unlocking one's personal mission). Moreover, Tevin is the best-selling author of the book 'Forging Your Inner Diamond' a self-help book told as a story of inspiration on transforming our breakdowns in life into our breakthroughs. Tevin's mission as a speaker/author arose from his struggles growing up as a low-income, minority, immigrant, and as a first-generation college student. Since overcoming those challenges, Tevin has served as a shining diamond of inspiration in the community, earning his master's degree from The Johns Hopkins University. He earned his bachelor's degree from Florida Atlantic University. Notably, Tevin has been the recipient of numerous awards and has been featured in national media such as The New York Times, iHeart Radio, and The US News & World Report for his leadership and commitment to empowering others to persist and succeed in their endeavors. To date, as an empowering speaker and author, Tevin has touched the lives of thousands of students and professionals alike in their journeys.

Tania Shindo-Henderson has spent nearly three decades working with youth in various capacities, from a professional school counselor for grades K-8 to an evaluator of youth programs. You can often find Tania at the dojo teaching martial arts. Tania grew up in Hawaii. She earned her bachelor's degree in Journalism and English from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling from Stephens College.

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