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Doreen Garlid was elected to the Tempe City Council in 2020 and re-elected in March of 2024. On July 1, 2024, at her swearing-in ceremony, her peers elected her Vice Mayor. As a member of the Navajo Nation, she made history as the first Native American elected to the Tempe City Council.

Doreen's grand uncle was a World War II Navajo Code Talker in the U.S. Marines, and her great grandfather was a Navajo Medicine Man. For 45 years, Doreen and

her mother have offered free, educational, community presentations about Navajo culture and family life, for which she was recognized in 2020 with the City of Tempe MLK Diversity Award.

In the three decades prior to her election, she became involved in local schools, nonprofits, and service organizations. Doreen loves serving others locally and internationally. Her international service has taken her on 15 medical mission trips to 12 of the poorest countries in the world to serve over 10,000 patients.

Since joining the Council, she has been committed to improving the city's capacity to meet the needs of residents with special attention on human services, housing, community safety and the quality of life in our neighborhoods. She was a strong advocate in the city's efforts to restore the Park Ranger Program, creating a Tobacco License registry, raising the minimum age for purchasing tobacco products to 21, creating the Sober Living Task Force, developing the city's Mental Health Roadmap, and achieving our city's designation as an Age-Friendly Community by the American Association of Retired Persons. As part of her council service, Doreen serves on many local, regional, and national boards and committees to represent the City of Tempe and to glean information that she can share with her colleagues and staff.

Doreen, and her husband Scott, raised their four children in Tempe and now enjoy spending time with her grandchildren, Beau and Lainey, who live who lives just around the corner.