

DATE: April 15, 2025

TO: Council Appointments Review Committee

FROM: Wanda Wong, Deputy City Clerk
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SUBJECT: **Committee Openings**

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Council Appointments Review Committee set interview questions for the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Downtown Committee, Performing Arts Committee, and Senior Advisory Committee, interview applicants pursuant to City Council Policy K-2, and make a recommendation to be considered by the City Council on April 22, 2025.

BACKGROUND

The City Clerk's Office conducted a recruitment to fill openings on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Downtown Committee, Performing Arts Committee, and Senior Advisory Committee. A summary of applicants for each body is included as Attachment 2 to this report.

Interview Process and Questions

Pursuant to City Council Policy K-2, interviews are to be conducted in a panel format. Applicants will be interviewed in groups by body, each applicant will receive the same amount of time to answer each question, and the questions selected by the City Council will be asked in randomized, round-robin order. Council may ask a limited number of clarifying questions in the event an applicant's answer is unclear or otherwise not understood. Clarifying questions should not be used to allow an applicant an additional opportunity to expand on the original response.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

There is one vacant unexpired term ending December 31, 2027. Nine applications were received. The BPAC consists of five members. The names and term expiration dates for the current BPAC members are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Terry Barton	December 31, 2028
Serge Bonte	December 31, 2028
James Kuszmaul	December 31, 2028
John Stone	December 31, 2026

City staff has determined that all applicants are qualified to serve on this body.

On November 22, 2024, the Committee posed the following questions to BPAC applicants in the denoted time limit for each category:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve (or continue to serve) on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee?*
2. *Two minutes: What are the most important issues facing the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and how would you resolve them?*
3. *One minute: What are the most realistic things we can do to improve the pedestrian experience?*

Downtown Committee (DTC), Downtown Property Owner and/or Representative of a Business in the Downtown

The Downtown Business Association seat is a vacant unexpired term ending December 31, 2025. The Downtown Property Owner and/or Representative of a Business in the Downtown category has two vacant unexpired terms, one ending December 31, 2026, and one ending December 31, 2027. One application was received for the Downtown Business Association seat and one application was received for the Downtown Property Owner and/or Representative of a Business

in the Downtown category. The DTC consists of 11 members. The names and term expiration dates for the current DTC members are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Downtown Property Owner and/or Representative of a Business in the Downtown	
Marina Keith	December 31, 2025
David Lin	December 31, 2025
Business-at-Large	
Pamela Baird	December 31, 2027
Mike Kasperzak	December 31, 2025
Peter Katz	December 31, 2025
Community-at-Large	
Anne Cavanaugh	December 31, 2025
Stephanie Lin	December 31, 2027
Neighborhood	
Jamil Shaikh	December 31, 2025

City staff has determined that all applicants are qualified to serve on this body.

On November 22, 2024, the Committee posed the following questions to DTC applicants in the denoted time limit for each category:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve (or continue to serve) on the Downtown Committee?*
2. *Two minutes: What do you think of downtown Mountain View? How would you improve it? How would you balance the interests of businesses with those of the community?*
3. *One minute: What do you think would be likely areas of particular focus for you on the Committee?*

Performing Arts Committee (PAC)

There are two vacant unexpired terms ending December 31, 2028. Three applications were received. The PAC consists of five members. The names and term expiration dates for the current PAC members are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Carol Donahue	December 31, 2026
David Garcia	December 31, 2026
Yao Yao	December 31, 2026

City staff has determined that all applicants are qualified to serve on this body.

On November 22, 2024, the Council posed the following questions to PAC applicants in the denoted time limit for each category:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Performing Arts Committee?*
2. *Two minutes: Describe your vision of the cultural scene and artistic desires of Mountain View and surrounding communities.*
3. *One minute: What do you think should be the priorities of the Committee in the coming few years?*

Senior Advisory Committee (SAC)

There are two vacant unexpired terms, one ending December 31, 2025, and one ending December 31, 2027. Five applications were received. The SAC consists of five members. The names and term expiration dates for the current SAC members are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Deanna Hui	December 31, 2025
Nirvana Nwokidu	December 31, 2027
Brian Ogonowsky	December 31, 2027

City staff has determined that all applicants are qualified to serve on this body.

On November 22, 2024, the Committee posed the following questions to SAC applicants in the denoted time limit for each category:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Senior Advisory Committee?*
2. *One minute: What do you think would be likely areas of particular focus for you on the Committee?*
3. *Two minutes: What would you like to see the Senior Advisory Committee do?*

Voting Process

Pursuant to City Council Policy No. K-2, a person appointed to serve on a board, commission, or committee may only serve on one body at a time. At the conclusion of interviews, the Committee may discuss the applicants before making a recommendation to be considered by the City Council on April 22, 2025.

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- Attachments:
1. Board/Commission/Committee Member Selection Guidelines
 2. Summary of Applicants
 3. Interview Schedule
 4. Applications