

DATE: November 27, 2018

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Council Appointments Review

Committee

TITLE: Reappointments/Appointments to

Council Advisory Bodies

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Adopt a Resolution Reappointing Max Beckman-Harned and Paul Donahue to the Library Board, Appointing Erika Mendez to the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Appointing Joe Mitchner as an Alternate to the Parks and Recreation Commission, to be read in title only, further reading waived (Attachment 1 to the Council report).
- 2. Reappoint Nicole Isger, Arti Sharma, Julie Solomon, and IdaRose Sylvester to the Human Relations Commission for terms beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022.
- 3. Appoint Lori Reinauer and Fernando Romero to the Human Relations Commission for unexpired terms ending December 31, 2020.
- 4. Reappoint Kalyanaraman Shankari to the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee for a term beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022.
- 5. Reappoint Diana Tucker to the Downtown Committee (Downtown Property and/or Business Owner) and reappoint Merry Yen to the Downtown Committee (Community-at-Large) for terms beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2021.
- 6. Reappoint Carol Donahue and appoint Erin Brewster to the Performing Arts Committee for terms beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022.
- 7. Appoint Leeann Higgins and Tom Jones to the Senior Advisory Committee for unexpired terms ending December 31, 2021.

BACKGROUND

Twenty-six (26) applicants reapplied/applied for openings on the Library Board, Human Relations Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Downtown Committee, Performing Arts Committee, and Senior Advisory Committee. The Council Appointments Review Committee (CARC) met on October 30, 2018 to interview applicants and discuss recommendations for appointments.

Additional discussion at the CARC meeting included:

A question was raised regarding whether one of the applicants for the Downtown Committee (Downtown Property and/or Business Owner category) was eligible for appointment in this category, which is defined in the Downtown Committee bylaws as applicants who own property and/or business in the downtown. Following discussion, a motion was made (and passed unanimously) to recommend appointment of the applicant to the Downtown Committee, subject to the interpretation of the bylaws by the City Attorney's Office, and if the applicant cannot be appointed in this category, to refer the issue of the Downtown Committee categories to the Council Procedures Committee for review. The City Attorney confirmed that the applicant does not qualify for the Downtown Committee in any of the categories defined in the bylaws.

The CARC recommended reappointment of Jamil Shaikh to the Downtown Committee (Neighborhood) for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. Mr. Shaikh's current term on the Downtown Committee (Neighborhood) expires on December 31, 2018. The Neighborhood seat on the Downtown Committee is elected by the Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association. Mr. Shaikh is currently running unopposed for the neighborhood liaison position; the election date is December 10, 2018. Staff will return to Council with the outcome of the election prior to Council action to confirm this appointment.

The Committee recommended re-advertising any remaining vacancies.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Appoint the applicants as recommended by the Council Appointments Review Committee.
- 2. Other direction as provided by Council.

PUBLIC NOTICING – Agenda posting and a courtesy notification to all applicants.

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Attachment: 1. Resolution – Appointments to Library Board and Parks and Recreation Commission