



**CITY OF LOS ALTOS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 10, 2015**

DISCUSSION ITEMS
Agenda Item # 5

SUBJECT: Appoint individuals to fill vacancies on the Financial, Parks and Recreation, and Planning and Transportation Commissions; and review options for the City's appointment to the Los Altos School District Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance, and direct staff accordingly

BACKGROUND

The City Council appoints individuals to serve on various City Commissions. Commissioners are appointed to four-year terms and may serve two consecutive terms, plus an unexpired term if they are so appointed.

EXISTING POLICY

Council Norms and Procedures and Commission and Committee Handbook

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

June 23, 2015 and October 20, 2015

DISCUSSION

Vacancies on three different Commissions have arisen due to the resignations of various Commissioners. The City Clerk's office conducted a recruitment to fill vacancies on the following Commissions: Financial (term to expire in February 2016), Parks and Recreation (term to expire in February 2017), and Planning and Transportation (term to expire in February 2016).

The names of applicants are as follows:

Applicant	Commission preference
Tiziana Rossi Anson	1) Parks and Recreation; 2) Planning and Transportation
Ralph Bernstein	1) Planning and Transportation; 2) Parks and Recreation; 3) Financial
Frank Bishop	Planning and Transportation
Alexander Glew	1) Planning and Transportation; 2) Financial
Sam Hedgpeth	1) Planning and Transportation; 2) Financial
Kuljeet Kalkat	1) Financial; 2) Planning and Transportation; 3) Parks and Recreation
Bahi Oreizy	Planning and Transportation
Jonathan Weinberg	1) Planning and Transportation; 2) Financial; 3) Parks and Recreation

The Council Norms and Procedures state that Commission appointments are to be made by written ballot.

Los Altos School District Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance

The Los Altos School District (LASD) Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance (CACF) oversees long-term financial issues for LASD, monitors expenditures of parcel tax funds and makes recommendations to the LASD Board of Trustees. The City of Los Altos appoints one member to

the CACF. Traditionally, the City Council appointed a member of the Council to serve on the CACF. Recently, the CACF meetings have conflicted with the regular meeting schedule of the City Council. As such, the Council appointed a member of the community to serve on the CACF.

In parallel to the Commission recruitment, the City Clerk's Office conducted a recruitment for the position on the CACF. No applications nor inquiries were received.

It is recommended that the Council consider various options for the City's appointment to the LASD CACF, and direct staff accordingly. Options for the appointment include: 1) appointing a Council member; 2) appointing a member of the City's Financial Commission; and 3) directing staff to conduct another recruitment for the position.

PUBLIC CONTACT

The City Council conducted interviews for each of the positions described on October 20, 2015.

Posting of the meeting agenda serves as notice to the general public.

FISCAL/RESOURCE IMPACT

None

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Not applicable

RECOMMENDATION

- A. Appoint individuals to fill vacancies on the Financial, Parks and Recreation, and Planning and Transportation Commissions
- B. Review options for the City's appointment to the Los Altos School District Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance, and direct staff accordingly

ALTERNATIVES

1. Do not appoint individuals to fill vacancies on one or more of the applicable Commissions

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ATTACHMENTS: None

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