

City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Legislation Text

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TO:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH:

Bruce Moe, City Manager

FROM:

Liza Tamura, City Clerk George Gabriel, Management Analyst

SUBJECT:

Appointment to Vacant Cultural Arts Commission Seat No. 4 (City Clerk Tamura).

APPOINT

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint from the list of interested applicants that participated in the 2018 annual interview and appointment process for the Cultural Arts Commission, Member-at-Large seat.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no fiscal implications associated with the recommended action.

BACKGROUND:

The Cultural Arts Commission consists of six members (one representative with art experience, four Members-at-Large and one student representative) and meets on the third Monday of each month. The Commission is responsible for developing a Cultural Arts Master Plan for the City, encouraging and supporting art education programs in the community and schools, participating in the Arts in Public Places selection process, and assisting in the Art in Civic Spaces Program.

On May 25, 2018, Commissioner Prigozhin tendered his letter of resignation to the City; effectively leaving Cultural Arts Commission, Seat No. 4, Member-at-Large seat, vacant.

On June 19, 2018, City Council accepted the resignation from Cultural Arts Commissioner Leon Prigozhin, declared Cultural Arts Commission Seat No. 4 Vacant, and directed the City Clerk to return to the July 3, 2018 City Council meeting with a list of interested applicants from the May 2018 annual interview and appointment process.

DISCUSSION:

Per Ordinance No. 1975, if a vacant seat has 18 months or less remaining in its term, the new member would complete the original term and automatically be re-appointed to a three-year term.

Commissioner Prigozhin's term was scheduled to expire on May 31, 2019. As such, the new member

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appointed to this seat will complete the original term of office (expiring May 31, 2019) and then be automatically re-appointed to the succeeding three-year term from June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2022. Additionally, the new member will be eligible to serve one succeeding term, upon City Council reappointment, from June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2025.

Interested Applicants:

On April 24, 2018, six individuals interviewed for the Cultural Arts Commission, Member-at-Large seat. Of the six, Shannon Ryan was appointed to Seat No. 3.

Staff has contacted the remaining five eligible applicants and confirmed that they are interested in being appointed to the Cultural Arts Commission. Those applicants are:

- Russel Allen
- Denise Anderman
- George Apostol
- Wendy Stillman
- Adam Taner

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint from the eligible and interested list to fill the existing vacancy for Seat No. 4 on the Cultural Arts Commission.

LEGAL REVIEW

The City Attorney has reviewed this report and determined that no additional legal analysis is necessary.