

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 Martha Alvarez, Sr. Deputy City Clerk Patricia Matson, Deputy City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Consideration of an Appointment to the Vacant Parking and Public Improvements Commission Member-At-Large Seat No. 5 (City Clerk Tamura). **APPOINT**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint from the list of interested applicants that participated in the 2020 annual Boards and Commissions interview and appointment process for the Parking and Public Improvements Commission.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no fiscal implications associated with the recommended action.

BACKGROUND:

The Parking and Public Improvements Commission consists of five members and meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. The Commission is responsible for public parking issues, capital improvement projects, traffic management, activities within the public right-of-way including encroachment permits, undergrounding of utilities, and environmental enhancement.

Commissioner Franklin was a candidate for City Council in the recent November 3, 2020, Election and was elected to one of the three available seats. Due to his election to the City Council, on December 4, 2020, Commissioner Franklin tendered his letter of resignation to the City; effectively leaving Parking and Public Improvements Commission Member-At-Large Seat No. 5 vacant.

On December 15, 2020, the City Council accepted the resignation from Parking and Public Improvements Commissioner Franklin, declared Parking and Public Improvements Commission Member-At-Large Seat No. 5 vacant, and directed the City Clerk to return to the January 5, 2020, City Council meeting with a list of interested applicants from the May 2020 annual Boards and Commissions interview and appointment process.

DISCUSSION:

The Manhattan Beach Municipal Code (MBMC) Section 2.44.070 states, "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 without further ceremony."

The term for Parking and Public Improvements Commission Seat No. 5 is due to expire on May 31, 2021. The new member appointed to this seat will complete the original term of office, expiring May 31, 2021. Upon the conclusion of this term, the appointed member would automatically be re-appointed to a three-year term without further action from the City Council.

On May 28, 2020, 11 individuals interviewed for three available Parking and Public Improvements Commission seats. Three individuals were appointed, Allen Kirschenbaum, George Apostol, and Kathleen Paralusz. This left eight individuals for the City Clerk to contact and determine if interest still existed.

The City Clerk's office contacted the eight previously interested applicants and six of those individuals have confirmed interest in being appointed to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission.

- Henry Alfano
- Robert DaGiau
- Stephen Doran
- Joseph Fusco
- Matthew Luce
- Jim Yang (appointed to the Board of Building Appeals)

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint from the list of interested applicants in order to fill the existing vacancy for Parking and Public Improvements Commission Member-At-Large Seat No. 5.

PUBLIC OUTREACH:

The City Clerk's office called and confirmed the interest of those applicants that previously expressed interest in the Parking and Public Improvements Commission during the 2020 annual Boards and Commissions application and interview process.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

The City has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is necessary.

LEGAL REVIEW:

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