

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 15, 2021

TO: Christine Daniel, City Manager

FROM: Sheri Hartz, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Community Advisory Committee Appointments FY2021-22

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation. Appointments to Community Advisory Committees are made at the City Council's discretion. A separate Resolution will be approved for each set of Committee appointments.

BACKGROUND

Each fiscal year, the City Council appoints community members to serve on the City's various Community Advisory Committees ("Committees"). Committees are an opportunity for community members to have input on specific programs and initiatives of the City. All Committee meetings are publicly noticed, and the public is encouraged to attend. Actions taken by Committees are forwarded to the full City Council for consideration and possible action, with the exception of the Planning Commission and Housing Advisory and Appeals Board, which have some independent authority, with some of their decisions subject to City Council review or appeal.

The Committees consist of a wide range of community members representing specific demographics. Below are definitions of the various existing committee positions. It is not uncommon to receive an application from a candidate that fulfills the qualifications for multiple committee positions. When that occurs, the applicants are listed in all relevant categories for consideration per Committee.

| Business Representative | Person representing a business in Emeryville of any size. |
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| City Labor Representative | Person representing a labor union with members represented in Emeryville. |
| Community Member | Person residing or working in Emeryville. |
| Large Business Representative | Person representing a business in Emeryville with over 56 employees. |
| Non-Profit Workforce Development Organization Representative | Person representing a local non-profit workforce development organization. |
| Resident | Person residing in Emeryville. |
| Resident (94608) | Person residing within the Emeryville- Oakland 94608 zip code. |

| Small Business Representative | Person representing a business in |
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| | Emeryville with 55 or less employees. |

DISCUSSION

There are several current vacancies on several of the Committees, and upcoming vacancies on all Committees due to terms which are scheduled to expire as of June 30, 2021. Notice of the vacancies was posted on the City's three bulletin boards. In addition, the City Clerk's Office included noticing of the vacancies on the City's website, Twitter and ETV Cable Channel 27, and made announcements at City Council meetings. Committee Secretaries were also encouraged to distribute the Notice of Vacancies to their committee members and members of the public. City Clerk staff also contacted incumbents to determine whether they had continued interest in serving on the Committees. Applications were due May 17, 2021.

The City Clerk's Office received several applications for the various vacancies from both incumbents and interested community members. Staff has also encouraged applicants to attend the virtual June 15, 2021, special City Council meeting where they will be able to introduce themselves and answer any questions the City Council might have. Zoom meeting information will be provided to all applicants.

Staff reached out to all qualified active applicants to inquire whether they would still like to be considered for the Committee for which they had previously applied and gave them additional time to respond following the application deadline. The applicants who confirmed continued interest were added to the Committee applicant lists, shown below. Staff received one applicant withdrawal, which is noted below.

In the event that there are positions not filled at the June 15 special City Council meeting, staff recommends re-advertising the remaining vacancies to be appointed at a future City Council meeting.

Bicycle / Pedestrian Advisory Committee

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee consists of up to nine (9) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies, priorities and feedback related to the City's Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan and related initiatives.

The Committee has expiring terms for one Business Representative and three Community Members. Committee member terms are for two years. The following applications have been received:

| Committee Position | Applicants |
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| Business Representative | Jennifer Kain (incumbent) |
| Community Member | Jaclyn Harr (incumbent) |
| | Laura McCamy (incumbent) |
| | Matthew Solomon |

Budget Advisory Committee

The Budget Advisory Committee consists of up to five (5) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies, priorities and feedback related to the City's budget.

The Committee has expiring terms for one Business Representative and one City Labor Representative. Committee member terms are for two years. The following applications have been received:

| Business Representative | Kirsten Walraven (incumbent) |
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| City Labor Representative | Miroo Desai (incumbent) |

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging consists of up to nine (9) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies, priorities and feedback related to the health and wellness of seniors in the community.

The Committee has current vacancies for one Community Member and two Residents, and an expiring term for one Resident. Committee member terms are for four years. The following applications have been received:

| Community Member | Jacqueline Kerr |
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| | Beatriz Rosales |
| | Stephen Shane (incumbent) |
| | Rene Terlet |
| Resident | Jacqueline Kerr |
| | Beatriz Rosales |
| | Stephen Shane (incumbent) |
| | Rene Terlet |

Economic Development Advisory Committee

The Economic Development Advisory Committee consists of up to nine (9) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies and priorities related to the City's economic development priorities and strategies.

The Committee has a current vacancy for one Business Representative, and expiring terms for one Resident and two Small Business Representatives. Committee member terms are for two years. The following applications have been received:

| Business Representative | Brittany Jernigan Taryn Segal (incumbent) Evan Schneider Dr. Eugene Tssui - WITHDRAWN Kirsten Walraven |
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| Resident | David Kritzberg (incumbent) Evan Schneider Dr. Eugene Tssui - WITHDRAWN |
| Small Business Representative | Evan Schneider Taryn Segal (incumbent) Dr. Eugene Tssui - WITHDRAWN |

Housing Committee

The Housing Committee consists of up to nine (9) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendation regarding City policies, priorities, and feedback related to the City's housing policies and programs.

The Committee has current vacancies for three Community members, and expiring terms for three Community Members. Committee member terms are for two years. The applications shown in the table below have been received. Please note that the application for Ms. Welch was received a short time after the deadline but was accepted in the interest of filling multiple vacancies.

| Community Member | Netosha GrandyGisela (Kris) Owens (incumbent) |
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| | Courtney Welch |
| | Erica Zepko (incumbent) |

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Parks and Recreation Committee consists of up to seven (7) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies, priorities, and feedback related to the City's recreation programs, cultural events and activities; public use of parks; development of new parks, and enhancements to existing parks and recreation facilities, as outlined in the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan.

The Committee has a current vacancy for one Community Member, and expiring terms for two Community Members. Committee terms are for two years. The following applications have been received:

| Community Members | Yasser Alwan |
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| | Alejandro Anasal (incumbent) |
| | Brian Donahue |
| | Jennika Dunbar |
| | Netosha Grandy |

Public Art Committee

The Public Art Committee consists of up to nine (9) total members. The Committee's purpose is to provide input and recommendations regarding City policies, priorities, and feedback related to the City's Percent for Art Ordinance, and related matters. Pursuant to Emeryville Municipal Code Section 2-3.403, the "Public Art Committee membership shall be determined by resolution of the City Council". In addition, pursuant to Emeryville Municipal Code Section 2-3.404, "the terms of the Public Art Committee shall be staggered and for a period of two years, commencing July 1 of the year of appointment; except that the City Council shall appoint two of the initial members to the expanded nine-member Committee to three-year terms".

The Committee has current vacancies for two Business Representatives or Residents, and an expiring term for one Business Representative or Resident. Committee member terms are for two years. The following applications have been received:

| Business Representative | Rick Tejada-Flores |
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| Resident | Bonnie Engel |
| | Emily McPartlon (incumbent) |
| | Rick Tejada-Flores |

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

STAFF COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC

Staff has not had any communication with the public regarding these appointments, other than confirmation of received applications and advising applicants regarding the Advisory Body appointment process.

PREPARED BY: Lorrayne Leong, Deputy City Clerk

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:

Christine Daniel, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

- Applicant Jaclyn Harr
- Applicant Jennifer Kain
- Applicant Laura McCamy
- Applicant Matthew Solomon

Budget Advisory Committee

- Applicant Miroo Desai
- Applicant Kirsten Walraven

Commission on Aging

- Applicant Jacqueline Kerr
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- Applicant Stephen Shane
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Economic Development Advisory Committee

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- Applicant David Kritzberg
- Applicant Evan Schneider
- Applicant Taryn Segal
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