

**Council Meeting: May 25, 2010****SUBJECT: Board and Commission Appointments****DISCUSSION**

The Office of the City Clerk received 16 board and commission applications during the summer recruitment process. Current vacancies, names of candidates and terms of appointments are as follows:

<b>Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (2 vacancies-Category 1; 2 vacancies-Category 2)</b>	<b>Terms</b>
David Gandrud (Category 1 or 2) (2 <sup>nd</sup> preference) James Manidakos (Category 1) Angela Rausch (Category 1 or 2) Cathy Switzer (Category 2)	4 terms to 6/30/2014
<b>Planning Commission (3 vacancies)</b>	<b>Term</b>
Alyson Abramowitz Maria Dohadwala (1 <sup>st</sup> preference) David Gandrud (3 <sup>rd</sup> preference) Glenn Hendricks Anna Ko (1 <sup>st</sup> preference) Gustav Larsson Ken Rheaume	2 terms to 6/30/2014 1 term to 6/30/2012
<b>Housing and Human Services Commission (1 vacancy)</b>	<b>Term</b>
Anna Ko (2 <sup>nd</sup> preference)	1 term to 6/30/2012
<b>Board of Library Trustees (1 vacancy)</b>	<b>Term</b>
Anna Ko (3 <sup>rd</sup> preference) Narendra Pathak Danny Ooi Nirmala Vaidyanathan (1 <sup>st</sup> preference) Mukta Verma Sarah Wilson	1 term to 6/30/2014
<b>Heritage Preservation Commission (2 vacancies)</b>	<b>Terms</b>
Maria Dohadwala (2 <sup>nd</sup> preference) Ted Ringel Nirmala Vaidyanathan (2 <sup>nd</sup> preference)	2 terms to 6/30/2014
<b>Parks and Recreation Commission (1 vacancy)</b>	<b>Term</b>
Robert Harms	2 terms to 6/30/2014

The Arts Commission will have one vacancy as of June 30, 2010, but no applications were received. The Personnel Board will have one vacancy in an employee-nominated seat as of June 30, 2010; one application was submitted, but not nominated by the Classified employees. Staff will return to Council when an employee nomination has been received, or will provide applications for non-employee nominated applicants after the six-month nomination period expires September 9, 2010.

The terms listed above will be effective July 1, 2010 with the exception of the appointments to fill unscheduled vacancies on the Housing and Human Services Commission and the Planning Commission term expiring June 2012; these appointments may be made effective immediately or as specified by Council.

Following appointments, the staff liaison for each board and commission will provide a board-specific orientation and each new member is required to take the Oath of Office, sign the Model of Excellence, attend the Boards and Commissions Orientation hosted by the Office of the City Clerk, and complete ethics training. A ceremonial oath will be offered to all incoming members.

Staff recommends that Council confirm appointments from the candidates listed in this report, specifying the term for the Planning Commission appointment which has multiple seats and terms.

#### **EXISTING POLICY**

Council Policy 7.2.19 outlines the appointment process as follows: *The Mayor will announce by board or commission each vacancy including its term, and then will read each applicant's name. Council will vote on each applicant. The candidate receiving the most affirmative votes and at least four affirmative votes will be appointed. Should no candidate receive at least four affirmative votes, the vacancy will remain. Should a tie between the candidates receiving the most affirmative votes occur, the affected applicants will be voted on again. If a tie still remains, and the affected applicants each have received at least four affirmative votes, the Mayor would ask the City Attorney to draw the name of the person to be appointed. The process is repeated for each board or commission.*

#### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Community Center and Department of Public Safety; and by making the agenda and report available at the Sunnyvale Public Library, the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's Web site.

**ALTERNATIVES**

1. Confirm appointments from the candidates listed in this report, specifying the term for the Planning Commission appointment which has multiple seats and terms.
2. Council does not make appointments at this time and directs staff to include the current vacancies in the City's continuous recruitment process.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends Alternative 1: Confirm appointments from the candidates listed in this report, specifying the term for the Planning Commission appointment which has multiple seats and terms.

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