



# *CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT*

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MEETING DATE: January 20, 2009

ITEM NUMBER:

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**DATE: JANUARY 12, 2009**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

**PRESENTATION BY: ALLAN L. ROEDER, CITY MANAGER**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Appoint two members to the Planning Commission and two members to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

## **BACKGROUND:**

At their January 3, 2005, meeting, the City Council adopted Ordinance Number 04-17, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLES 2, 12, AND 13 OF THE COSTA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES. This Ordinance changed the method of appointing Commissioners from individual appointments to a majority vote of the City Council. Council Policy 000-2.5 established the procedures governing the appointments, qualifications, and terms of individuals to both Commissions.

Also at their January 3, 2005 meeting, Council Members reviewed a list of options related to interviewing and voting selection of Commissioners. The list is included in this report as Attachment 1. Attachment 2 contains the minute excerpt from that meeting.

The terms of two Planning Commissioners expire in February 2009: Eleanor Egan and Donn Hall. Two Parks and Recreation Commissioners terms expire in February 2009 as well: Robert Graham and Mark Harris. Therefore, two appointments will need to be made to both Commissions, with the 4-year terms expiring in February 2013.

## **DISCUSSION:**

A total of 30 applicants have submitted Commission interest forms or letters of interest in response to the City's December 12, 2008 press release recruitment announcement.

Several applicants requested to serve on either Commission. An asterisk next to an applicant's name identifies the preferred Commission on which that individual seeks to serve.

The following lists the applicants for the Planning Commission, followed by those who submitted applications to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission (in alphabetical order):

### **Planning Commission**

1. Robert (Bob) Banka
2. Ted Butch
3. Scott Clements
4. Gary Craig
5. Eleanor Egan
6. Leah Ersoylu\*
7. Donn Hall\*\*
8. Matthew Hoyt\*
9. Brittany Koper
10. Maryann Marks
11. Steven Martinez
12. Jeff Mathews
13. Diane McCardle
14. Colin McCarthy
15. Christopher McEvoy
16. Stephen Mensinger
17. Joaquin Sahagun
18. Burt Sirota
19. Dan Skahill
20. Gabriel Teran\*
21. Dan Worthington
22. Jonathan Zich\*

### **Parks and Recreation Commission**

1. Dennis Crane
2. Robert Dickson, Jr.
3. Leah Ersoylu
4. Jim Fitzpatrick
5. Robert Graham
6. Jeffrey Harlan
7. Matthew Hoyt
8. Jeff Mathews\*
9. Kim Pederson
10. Marnie Primmer
11. Cliff Raitz
12. Barbara Steck\*\*
13. David Stiller
14. Gabriel Teran
15. Jonathan Zich

\* Individual identified this Commission as *first* choice preference

\*\* Late application

Staff has verified, pursuant to City Council Policy 000-2.5 (Attachment 4), that all applicants are Costa Mesa residents and are registered to vote.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

See options detailed in Attachment 1.

**FISCAL REVIEW:**

None Required.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

None Required.

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff has provided this report identifying the applicants who wish to serve on either the Planning Commission or the Parks and Recreation Commission, and summarizing the Commission appointment process. At this time, City Council is requested to make appointments to both the City's Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission, with these terms expiring in February 2013.

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ATTACHMENTS: 1 [Commission Appointment Process](#)  
2 [Minute Excerpt – City Council Meeting of January 5, 2005](#)  
3 [Commission Interest Forms and Letters of Interest/Resumes](#)  
4 [Council Policy 000-2.5](#)