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Agenda Report

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Interviews and Appointments to the Charter Review Committee

BACKGROUND

At the May 7, 2019 City Council meeting, staff presented work plan and charter review committee appointment process alternatives for City Council consideration and recommendation.

The City Council approved (1) directing staff to begin recruitment of a Charter Review Committee with the same eligibility requirements as a Board/Commission applicant, (2) appointing a seven-member commission with one member from each of the current six districts, and one at-large member; if a district does not receive any applicants, then the appointment for that seat opens to at-large, and (3) setting a process for City Council to interview all applicants in each particular district and appoint one member per district and appoint one at-large member from the un-selected applicants.

DISCUSSION

The City Clerk's Office has received a total of 19 applications (attached according to district) from the following candidates by the submission due date of June 28, 2019. The Registrar of Voters Office has confirmed Registered Voter Status for all applicants, therefore they have met the application requirements.

District	Applicants
1	Cooley, Benjamin
	Jerdonek, Robert
	Upadhyay, Vandana
	Usman, Sameena
2	Silva, Steven
3	Cielusniak, Christina
	Koltermann, Christine
	Sontag, John
4	Almazol, Katherine
	Creger, Paul
	Park, Kevin
5	Bonito, Richard
	Evans, Jonathon
	Jain, Sudhanshu
	Myers, Howard

6	Arquero, Pilar
	Ricossa, Stephen
	Sivilla-Jones, Ralph
	Sulcer, Teresa

The City Council directed staff to follow the Boards and Commission application process. The City Charter does not allow employees to serve on the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Civil Service Commission and the Board of Library Trustees. However, the Charter does not prohibit City employees from serving on an ad hoc commission for review of a City Charter revision with respect to elections. Thus, it is at the Council's discretion to proceed with consideration of the employee applicant.

Attached are the Voting Guidelines (Attachment 1) for the appointment to Boards and Commissions which outline the process for conducting interviews and casting votes by Council.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4) in that it is a fiscal activity that does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potential significant impact on the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact other than administrative expense.

PUBLIC CONTACT

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation.

Reviewed by: Nora Pimentel, Assistant City Manager

Approved by: Deanna J. Santana, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Voting Guidelines
2. District 1
3. District 2
4. District 3
5. District 4
6. District 5
7. District 6