



## Agenda Report

22-942

Agenda Date: 7/12/2022

### REPORT TO COUNCIL

#### **SUBJECT**

Response to Councilmember Becker's Written Request regarding the Recent Appointment of Ron Patrick to the Planning Commission

#### **COUNCIL PILLAR**

Enhance Community Engagement and Transparency

#### **BACKGROUND**

On July 5, 2022 the Council considered a Council Policy 030 written request submitted by Councilmember Becker to discuss the recent appointment of Ron Patrick to the Planning Commission at a future City Council meeting. The Council considered the petition and voted affirmatively to place this item on the July 12, 2022 Council agenda.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The City Attorney has provided a memorandum to the City Council (attached) which provides background information on potential concerns regarding the appointment of Mr. Patrick to the Planning Commission and provides the Council with four possible courses of action:

1. Determine the staff investigation sufficiently provided evidence of irregularities regarding Mr. Patrick's residency and take action in accordance with Policy 032.
2. Determine that Mr. Patrick remain as a Planning Commissioner and take no further action.
3. Direct staff to conduct further investigation.
4. If Mr. Patrick is removed, there should be an action to appoint a new Commissioner.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact related to the writing of this report.

#### **COORDINATION**

This report was coordinated with the Attorney's Office.

#### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email [clerk@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov) <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>> or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

1. Determine the staff investigation sufficiently provided evidence of irregularities regarding Mr.

Patrick's residency and take action in accordance with Policy 032.

2. Determine that Mr. Patrick remain as a Planning Commissioner and take no further action.
3. Direct staff to conduct further investigation.
4. If Mr. Patrick is removed, appoint a new Commissioner.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff has no recommendation

Reviewed by: Andrew Crabtree, Director of Community Development

Approved by: Rajeev Batra, City Manager

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. City Attorney Memorandum 2022-07-07 - Planning Commission Appointment of Mr. Ron Patrick