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Agenda Report

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Appointment of Members to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

BACKGROUND

The Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) was established in May 1991 by City Council action to act as an advisory body to City Council in the development of safe bicycle lanes on City of Santa Clara streets. In March 2014, by City Council action, the BAC's name and role was changed to become a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). It is a committee made up of nine members and is presently chaired by Councilmember Teresa O'Neill with Councilmember Kathy Watanabe as the alternate. The BPAC represents a cross section of Santa Clara's bicycling and pedestrian community, contributing their knowledge to the City regarding bicycle and pedestrian related issues and projects.

DISCUSSION

Members serve for 3-year terms with the option to apply to serve additional terms. The terms for members Thomas Granvold, James Parissenti, and Don Sterk expire on December 31, 2018 and all three of these current members indicated that they were interested in serving another term. The upcoming openings on the BPAC were advertised on the City's website, the City's channel 15, and Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition's website to allow potential candidates to apply for membership. Four (4) new membership applications were received. The new applicants are Anthony Carnesecca, Bruce Donaghue, Raymond Mah, and Todd Ferguson. At a special December 21, 2018 BPAC meeting, Committee members voted to recommend to the City Council that Thomas Granvold, Bruce Donaghue, and Don Sterk be appointed to serve 3-year terms expiring on December 31, 2021. This process is based on the past practice of the BPAC accepting applications and advising Council on the appointment of new members.

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)(5) in that it is a government organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no additional cost to the City other than staff time and expense.

COORDINATION

This report has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board

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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 or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library. In addition, this item was discussed at the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting on December 21, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

Appoint Thomas Granvold, Bruce Donaghue, and Don Sterk to serve three-year terms on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee expiring on December 31, 2021.

Reviewed by: Craig Mobeck, Director of Public Works Approved by: Deanna J. Santana, City Manager