

# EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



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Action: Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

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Meeting Date: June 9, 2014  
Department: City Manager's Office  
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## **ISSUE STATEMENT**

This is an action item to appoint members to the Budget Committee, Civilian Review Board, Historic Review Board, Human Rights Commission, Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, Planning Commission, Sustainability Commission, Toxics Board and Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee.

## **BACKGROUND**

Each year, the council makes appointments to boards, committees and commissions. Chapter 2 of the Eugene Code addresses standing committees to the City Council and the appointment process for each body. For most standing committees created in the code, council is the appointing authority.

The annual recruitment for boards, committees and commissions was initiated on January 21, 2014, and concluded on March 28, 2014. The recruitment was publicized on the Internet, newspapers, at City offices, and at City- and neighborhood-related meetings and events.

Members of the council were provided with copies of the applications. Applicants who received five or more votes to be reappointed, were automatically placed in nomination for formal appointment. Those who received at least three votes in any category were invited for an interview.

## **RELATED CITY POLICIES**

The boards, committees and commissions serve as advisory bodies to the City Council in the development of various City policies.

## **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

The City Council may:

1. Appoint applicants who have been nominated;
2. Appoint other applicants from the pool, or
3. Seek additional candidates for these positions.

## **CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION**

The City Manager has no recommendation on this item; the appointments are made by the council.

## **SUGGESTED MOTIONS**

### Budget Committee

There are three vacancies on the Budget Committee. Two incumbents applied and received enough votes for reappointment. From the eligible pool of candidates, the council chose to interview three applicants. One applicant withdrew leaving only two candidates to be interviewed.

*Move to reappoint Ken Beeson to Position 1 on the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint Chelsea Clinton to Position 2 on the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint Joshua Skov to Position 7 on the Budget Committee, for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

### Civilian Review Board

There are two vacancies on the Civilian Review Board; one incumbent (Eric Van Houten) applied and received enough votes for reappointment. From the eligible pool of candidates, the council chose to interview three applicants.

On May 9, 2014, a CRB subcommittee met to review the applications and recommend qualified candidates for council consideration. Of the five applications recommended by the committee, Eric Van Houten and Maurice Denner received a unanimous recommendation.

*Move to reappoint Eric Van Houten to Position 1 on the Civilian Review Board, for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to Position 2 on the Civilian Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

### Historic Review Board

There are two vacancies on the Historic Review board; one incumbent (Catherine (Kay) Porter) reapplied and will be nominated for reappointment. The Mayor and Planning Commission Chair Bill Randall interviewed the other two applicants.

*Move to reappoint Catherine (Kay) Porter to Position 3 on the Historic Review Board for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2018.*

*Move to appoint Sarah Shmigelsky to Position 5 on the Historic Review Board for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2018.*

### Human Rights Commission

There are four vacancies on the Human Rights Commission; three incumbents reapplied and received enough votes for reappointment. From the eligible pool of candidates, the council chose to interview five applicants.

*Move to reappoint Richie Weinman to Position 1 on the Human Rights Commission, a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint Christopher Nunes to Position 2 on the Human Rights Commission, a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint Ken Neubeck to Position 3 on the Human Rights Commission, a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to Position 4 on the Human Rights Commission, for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2013, and ending on June 30, 2016.*

#### Lane Regional Air Protection Agency

There are two vacancies on the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency; two incumbents reapplied and the Mayor has recommended them both for reappointment.

*Move to reappoint Scott Lucas to Position 2 on the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint Jeannine Parisi to Position 4 on the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

#### Planning Commission

There are two vacancies on the Planning Commission; one incumbent reapplied and received enough votes for reappointment. From the pool of eligible candidates, the council chose to interview one applicant.

*Move to appoint Kristen Taylor to Position 4 on the Planning Commission for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2013, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint John Jaworski to Position 5 on the Planning Commission for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2013, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

#### Sustainability Commission

There is one vacancy on the Sustainability Commission. It is an at-large position which fills a vacancy created by a mid-term resignation. From the pool of eligible candidates, the council chose to interview four applicants.

*Move to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to Position 1 on the Sustainability Commission, an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2017.*

#### Toxics Board

There are three vacancies on the Toxics Board; one is for an "industry" position, one is an "advocacy" position, and one is a neutral position. One incumbent (Lisa Arkin - advocacy) reapplied and received enough votes for reappointment. Other applicants who received enough votes to be interviewed are Joann Ernst (withdrew), Amber Everly (industry), and Andree Phelps (neutral).

*Move to appoint Amber Everly to Position 2, an industry representative on the Toxics Board for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to reappoint Lisa Arkin to Position 4, an advocacy representative on the Toxics Board for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint Andree Phelps to Position 7, a neutral representative on the Toxics Board for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

#### Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee

There are six vacancies on the Whilamut CPC. One incumbent applied and received enough votes for reappointment. The Mayor reviewed the remaining five applicants for the remaining five vacancies and recommended them all for nomination.

*Move to reappoint Theresa Brand to Position 1 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint Allison Camp to Position 2 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint Carolyn (Elizabeth) Koch to Position 4 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2015.*

*Move to appoint Sarah Shmigelsky to Position 8 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint David Sonnichsen to Position 9 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2017.*

*Move to appoint Timothy Werth to Position 10 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a term beginning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2015.*

#### **ATTACHMENT**

A. Results of Ballot for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

*NOTE: A notebook containing all applications and related information was provided to City Councilors in April. Please refer to notebook for additional details on the applicants and committees.*

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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