# EUGENE CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary



Action: Appointment to Sustainability Commission

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# **ISSUE STATEMENT**

This item is the appointment by the City Council of a new member to the Sustainability Commission to serve the unexpired term of Sasha Luftig.

## 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 most standing committees created in the Code, the council is the appointing authority. The normal recruitment period for boards, committees and commissions begins in January unless a resignation occurs mid-term. The Sustainability Commission has four positions that are filled in this manner, one of which had been filled by Sasha Luftig.

Due to Ms. Luftig's resignation, one vacancy has occurred on the Sustainability Commission. Ms. Luftig's term is set to expire on June 30, 2017, and her replacement will assume the remaining part of this term. Applicants were drawn from a pool that was created during a recent recruitment process . Six applicants completed interviews with the City Council. In subsequent balloting, seven votes were cast by councilors but no candidate received five or more votes.

## **RELATED CITY POLICIES**

The Eugene Sustainability Commission is a 13-member citizen body that acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council and the City Manager to create or enhance sustainable practices within the community. The Sustainability Commission was created by City Ordinance No. 20379 in March 2007.

## **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

The City Council may:

- 1. Appoint a candidate from the six applicants interviewed.
- 2. Appoint another candidate after reviewing all of the applications.

3. Choose no candidate at this time.

#### **CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION**

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

#### **SUGGESTED MOTION**

Move to appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_to Position 2 on the Sustainability Commission, an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2017.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vote Ballot
- B. Applicant Information

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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