

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Action: Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

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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, Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission, Planning Commission, Police 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 19, 2016, and concluded on March 31, 2016. The recruitment was publicized on the Internet, in 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 appointed or 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

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. No candidate received the five votes necessary for automatic nomination. Therefore, the names of the three candidates who received the most votes (four votes each) are included below as a starting point for the nomination and appointment process.

Move to appoint Garrett Dunlavey to Position 3 on the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Jon Jasper to Position 5 on the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Shaun Londahl to Position 6 on the Budget Committee, for an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2018.

Civilian Review Board

There are three vacancies on the Civilian Review Board; two incumbents (Steve McIntire and Christopher Wig) applied and received enough votes in the initial balloting process to be nominated for reappointment. The council also chose to interview one other applicant (Richard Roseta). After the balloting which followed the interview process, Mr. Roseta received enough votes to be automatically nominated for appointment.

On May 4, 2016, a CRB subcommittee met to review the applications and recommend qualified candidates for council consideration. All ten applicants received a rating.

Move to reappoint Steve McIntire to Position 3 on the Civilian Review Board, for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to reappoint Christopher Wig to Position 4 on the Civilian Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Richard Roseta to Position 6 on the Civilian Review Board for an unexpired term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2018.

Historic Review Board

There is one vacancy on the Historic Review board for an unexpired term due to the resignation of Barbara Perrin. Six applicants applied. The Mayor and Planning Commission Chair Bill Randall interviewed applicants on May 27.

Move to appoint Zarina Bell to Position 2 on the Historic Review Board for an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2017.

Human Rights Commission

At the time of the annual recruitment, there were two vacancies on the Human Rights Commission. From the eligible pool of candidates, the council chose to interview four applicants. Since the council balloting for final nominees, a third vacancy on the commission has occurred.

In a parallel process, a subcommittee of the Human Rights Commission reviewed the applications and recommended appointment of the following, in ranked order: Joel Iboa, Julia Johnson, Emily Miller, Aria Seligman and Lynne McKinney.

No candidate received the five votes necessary for automatic nomination. Therefore, the names of the three candidates who received the most votes (four votes each) are included below as a starting point for the nomination and appointment process.

Move to appoint Aria Seligman to Position 5 on the Human Rights Commission, a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Julia Johnson to Position 6 on the Human Rights Commission, a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Aimee Walsh to Position 7 on the Human Rights Commission, for an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2018.

On a related note, Commissioner Chris Nunes recently moved and is no longer living within the Eugene Urban Growth Boundary, as required by City code. He and staff have indicated their preference that he remain on the HRC until his term expires on June 30, 2017. The council may choose to:

- A. Waive the residency requirement and allow Mr. Nunes to complete his term; or
- B. Decline to waive the residency requirement and appoint a new commissioner (chosen from within the recruitment pool) to serve the remainder of Mr. Nunes' term.

Planning Commission

There is one vacancy on the Planning Commission. One applicant, incumbent Mark Baker, was interviewed.

Move to reappoint Mark Baker to Position 1 on the Planning Commission for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Police Commission

There are four vacancies on the Police Commission. One applicant, incumbent William Whalen reapplied and the Mayor nominated him for reappointment. Six other applicants were interviewed by a subcommittee of the Police Commission and the Mayor nominated three applicants from this group.

Move to reappoint William Whalen to Position 1 for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Move to appoint Edward Goehring to Position 2 for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Move to appoint Justine Dauenhauer to Position 3 for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Move to appoint Silver Mogart to Position 8 for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Sustainability Commission

There are four vacancies on the Sustainability Commission. All four are councilor-appointee positions and were filled by councilor appointment

Councilor Brown appointed Ralph McDonald to the Ward 1 position for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Councilor Taylor reappointed Jerry Diethelm to the Ward 2 position for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Councilor Poling reappointed Kevin O'Brien to the Ward 4 position for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2020.

Toxics Board

There were two vacancies on the Toxics Board; one for an “industry” position and one for an “advocacy” position. Only one applicant, Derrick Thoma, applied. Mr. Thoma applied for the industry position and he received enough votes to be automatically nominated.

A special recruitment is open from May 1 to June 30 to recruit for the remaining unfilled advocacy position and to fill an unexpired term created by the resignation of Amber Every from Position 2, an industry representative position. The applicant materials and a ballot for these positions will be distributed to the council in early June.

Move to appoint Derrick Thoma to Position 1, an industry representative on the Toxics Board for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee

There are two vacancies on the Whilamut CPC. One incumbent (Nancy Bray) reapplied and the Mayor nominated her for reappointment. The Mayor also nominated Laurel Burke for the one remaining vacancy for appointment.

Move to reappoint Nancy Bray to Position 6 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016, and ending on June 30, 2019.

Move to appoint Laurel Burke to Position 12 on the Whilamut Natural Area Citizen Planning Committee, for an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2017.

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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