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# REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

**SUBMITTED TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Sean Joyce, Interim City Manager

VIA: Chris Slama, Director of Community & Library Services

**PREPARED BY:** Chris Cole, Community Services Manager

## Subject:

Approve appointments and reappointments to the Fourth of July Executive Board with terms set to expire in 2023 and 2025

## Statement of Issue:

There is a need to fill several vacancies on the Fourth of July Executive Board (Board). Per Huntington Beach Municipal Code (HBMC) 2.106, "the composition of the Board shall consist of 9 to 15 members appointed by Council upon the recommendation of the liaisons to the Board." The Board currently consists of less than the required members-just five members, each of whom is recommended for reappointment, and seven applicants recommended for their initial appointment, bringing the proposed roster to 12.

## Financial Impact:

Not applicable.

## Recommended Action:

A) As recommended by City Council Member Liaisons Erik Peterson and Natalie Moser, approve the reappointment of Andi Kowal, Pat Love, Karen Pederson, Linda Vircks, and Chris Young and the appointment of Lisa Marie Moreo and Don Ramsey to the Fourth of July Executive Board with terms to expire September 30, 2023; and,

B) As recommended by City Council Member Liaisons Erik Peterson and Natalie Moser, approve the appointment of Paul Simonds, Shannon Smith, Allison Stevens, Floreal Taboada, and Ryan Van Tuyl to the Fourth of July Executive Board with terms to expire September 30, 2025.

# Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve the recommendations, and direct staff accordingly.

# Analysis:

The Fourth of July Executive Board assists the City's Fourth of July contractors with planning the

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Fourth of July Parade and festivities. Per HBMC 2.106, "the Board shall consist of 9 to 15 members, appointed by City Council upon the recommendation of the Council Liaisons to the Board." The Board is currently operating with only five members. A notice of vacancy was posted and a recruitment was initiated through various social media and online mediums. A total of 22 applications were received.

After reviewing all applications, Council Member Liaisons Peterson and Moser recommended the reappointment of the five existing board members: Andi Kowal, Pat Love, Karen Pederson, Linda Vircks, and Chris Young. All have been instrumental in planning the Fourth of July festivities for many years.

Additionally, Council Member Liaisons Peterson and Moser are recommending the appointment of the following seven applicants: Lisa Marie Moreo, Don Ramsey, Paul Simonds, Shannon Smith, Allison Stevens, Floreal Taboada, and Ryan Van Tuyl.

Per HBMC 2.100.065, member terms must be "staggered so that the majority of terms shall end in odd-numbered years following the election of four council members and the remainder of terms shall end in odd-numbered years following the election of three council members." Based on this directive, 7 of the 12 appointment terms (the majority) must expire in 2023, with the remaining five terms expiring in 2025.

Those appointees whose initial terms expire in 2023 will be eligible for reappointment to two, fouryear terms since they will have served just over a year by September 30, 2023. Those members whose reappointment terms expire in 2023 have already served for many consecutive years. However, these re-appointees would also be eligible for reappointment consideration following a 30day period from term expiration. As HBMC 2.100.060 states, "No person who has served two consecutive terms on any one board or commission shall be eligible for reappointment to the same board or commission within 30 days of the expiration of the person's most recent term."

Those members whose terms expire in 2025 will only be eligible to serve one additional four-year term since by September 30, 2025 they will have served over three years. Should it be determined to recommend three additional candidates for appointment in the future, one of the three would be appointed to a term expiring in 2023 and two would be appointed to terms expiring in 2025, thus bringing the full composition of the Board to eight members with terms expiring in 2023 (the majority) and seven members with terms expiring in 2025.

## **Environmental Status:**

Not applicable.

# Strategic Plan Goal:

Community Engagement

## Attachment(s):

1. 2022 Fourth of July Executive Board Roster