



# City of Costa Mesa

## Agenda Report

77 Fair Drive  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

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**File #:** 22-851

**Meeting Date:** 9/20/2022

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**TITLE:**

**APPOINTMENTS TO THE ARTS COMMISSION AND VARIOUS CITY COMMITTEES**

**DEPARTMENT:** CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE/CITY CLERK DIVISION

**PRESENTED BY:** BRENDA GREEN, CITY CLERK

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council make appointments as follows:

1. Arts Commission - Seven (7) vacancies; four (4) appointments to fill vacancies with a term expiration of January 2024 and three (3) to fill vacancies with a term expiration of January 2026.
2. Animal Services Committee - Make two (2) alternate member appointments to fill the vacancies with term expiration of April 2024. Appointments by Council Member Gameros as liaison to the Committee.
3. Active Transportation Committee - Make one (1) alternate member appointment to fill the vacancy with term expiration of April 2024. Appointment by Council Member Harlan as liaison to the Committee.
4. Fairview Park Steering Committee - Make one (1) regular member appointment with a term expiration of April 2025, two (2) regular member appointments with a term expiration of April 2023, one (1) alternate member appointment with a term expiration of April 2023, and one (1) alternate member appointment with term expiration of April 2025. Appointments by Council Member Reynolds as liaison to the Committee.
5. Historical Preservation Committee - Make two (2) alternate member appointments to fill vacancies with a term expiration of April 2024. Appointments by Council Member Chavez as liaison to the Committee.
6. Mobile Home Park Advisory Committee - Make one (1) Independent Citizen At-large appointment to fill vacancy with a term expiration of April 2023. Appointment by Mayor Stephens as liaison to the Committee.

**BACKGROUND:**

**Arts, Commission** (7 Appointment)

4 Commissioners /Term Expiration of January 2024

### 3 Commissioners /Term Expiration of January 2026

The Arts Commission meets monthly, and represents the Council's desire for ongoing policy focus, along with responsible oversight of the City's investments in the Arts. To align with the motto of "City of the Arts," the City acknowledges the vital role the Arts play in the community.

The Arts Commission shall ensure that the City of Costa Mesa is a place where creativity can flourish; a place where imagination, inspiration, and innovation are held in high regard; a place where Arts Education is essential to all; and a place where Arts and Culture can promote civic pride and enrich the daily lives of the Costa Mesa community. Staff received fifteen (15) applications for vacancies to be filled (applications attached).

1. Todd Gerald Beckett-Frank - District 1
2. Charlene Ashendorf - District 1
3. Rocky Evans - District 1
4. Megan Leary - District 3
5. Justin Fong - District 4
6. Rhonda Valles - District 5
7. Allison Mann - District 5
8. Skeith DeWine - District 5
9. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6
10. Alisa Ochoa - District 6
11. Samuel Abram Helm - District 6
12. Erica Luna - District 6
13. Holly McDonald - Non-Resident
14. Debora Wondercheck - Non-Resident
15. Heidi Zuckerman - Non-Resident

### **Animal Services Committee** (2 Appointments)

2 Alternate Members/Term Expiration of April 2024

Liaisons - Council Member Gameros, Alternate Council Member Harper

The Animal Services Committee meets monthly and assists with the planning of animal related events, explores and provides recommendations to improve animal services, and promotes pet licensing within the City. Staff received four (4) applications (attached) for two vacancies to be filled.

1. Emily Cummings-Nelson - District 2
2. Sarah Wilson - District 3
3. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6
4. Elise Gates - District 6

### **Active Transportation Committee** (1 Appointment)

1 Alternate Member/Term Expiration of April 2024

Liaisons - Council Member Harlan, Alternate Council Member Reynolds

The Active Transportation Committee meets monthly and assists with the review, update and implementation of the City's Active Transportation Plan in order to make recommendations for their improvement to the City Council. Staff received seven (7) applications (attached) for one vacancy to be filled.

1. Aaron Snyder - District 2
2. Viraj Sinha - District 3
3. Arthur Kinzli - District 5
4. Steve Russo - District 5
5. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6
6. Robert Morse - District 6
7. Jim Fitzpatrick - District 6

**Fairview Park Steering Committee** (5 Appointments)

1 Regular Member /Term Expiration of April 2025

2 Regular Members/Term Expiration of April 2023

1 Alternate Member/Term Expiration of April 2023

1 Alternate Member/Term Expiration of April 2025

Liaisons - Council Member Reynolds, Alternate Council Member Harlan and Council Member Chavez

The Fairview Park Steering Committee meets every other month and provides advice to the City Council regarding the implementation of the Fairview Park Master plan and impacts of Measure AA on Capital Improvement Program projects, maintenance and activities. Staff received fourteen (14) applications (attached) for five vacancies to be filled.

1. Todd Gerald Beckett-Frank - District 1
2. Priscilla Rocco - District 1
3. Cynthia D'Agosta - District 1
4. Joni Rolenaitis - District 1
5. Thomas Fanning - District 1
6. Daniel Joseph Baume - District 2
7. Kohl Crecelius - District 3
8. Edwin C. Glover Jr. - District 4
9. Deborah Koken - District 5
10. Dan Vozenilek - District 5
11. Mathew Garcia - District 5
12. Jeffrey Little - District 5
13. James Woodrow Erickson - District 5
14. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6

**Historical Preservation Committee** (2 Appointments)

2 Alternate Members/Term Expiration of April 2024

Liaisons - Council Member Chavez, Alternate Council Member Harlan, and Council Member

## Reynolds

The Historical Preservation Committee meets monthly and serves to maintain, preserve, educate and promote the city's historical resources. Staff received five (5) applications (attached) for two vacancies to be filled.

1. Lambert Higuera - District 4
2. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6
3. Elise Gates - District 6
4. Janice Hansen - District 6
5. Brian Israelson - District 6

### **Mobile Home Park Advisory Committee** (1 Appointment)

1 Independent Citizen At-large/Term Expiration of April 2023

Liaisons - Mayor Stephens, Alternate Council Member Chavez, and Council Member Reynolds

The Mobile Home Park Advisory Committee meets quarterly and addresses mobile home park issues and concerns in Costa Mesa. Staff received five (5) applications (attached) for one vacancy to be filled.

1. Wyatt Lin - District 5
2. Philip Richard Palisoul, II - District 6
3. Joy Young - District 6
4. Stacy Moffatt - District 6
5. Vienna HanselAshley - District 6

### **ANALYSIS:**

A total of 50 applicants have submitted applications for appointments to the Commissions/Committees in response to the City's press releases that were sent on August 10, 2022, August 12, 2022, August 22, 2022, and August 29, 2022.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council may choose not to make appointments to the Committees and Commission or to extend the recruitment period. City Council may also choose to phase out the alternate positions.

### **FISCAL REVIEW:**

Arts Commissioners will receive \$100.00 monthly. The stipend is included in the FY 22/23 Budget. Committee members receive no stipend.

### **LEGAL REVIEW:**

City Attorney has reviewed this report and has approved it as to form.

**CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND PRIORITIES:**

This item is administrative in nature.

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council make appointments to the Arts Commission and to the various City Committees.