



Cotati City Council Agenda Staff Report

Item type: REGULAR AGENDA (ACTION)
To: City Council
Subject: **MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENTS**
Date: January 28, 2025
Written by: Damien O'Bid, City Manager

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council review letters of interest received and provide the Mayor with Direction for voting at the upcoming Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association and City Selection Committee meeting.

Background

The City of Cotati is a member of the Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association and the Sonoma County City Selection Committee. Each body appoints members to various regional Boards and Commissions. The voting delegates from the City are the Mayor (primary) and Vice Mayor (alternate). If there are no letters of interest, the by-laws of the Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association allows for nominations from the floor at the meeting.

Analysis/Discussion

At its February 13, 2025 meeting, the Sonoma County Mayors' and Council Members' Association (SCMCA) Board of Directors and City Selection Committee will make appointment for the following vacated positions:

Board of Directors Appointments:

North Bay Division LOCC, Executive Board – 1 Seat (to fill expiring term of Jackie Elward of Rohnert Park). 2-year term starting in February.

Letters Received:

Jackie Elward, Rohnert Park

Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Citizens Advisory Committee – 1 Seat (to fill expiring term of Mark Stapp of Santa Rosa). 2-year term starting in February.

Letters Received:

Karen Nau, Petaluma

Marjorie Morgenstern, Cloverdale

Frank Quint, Petaluma

Alex DeCarli, Petaluma

Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) Commission – 3 Seats. 4-year fixed term.

2 – SCTA appointments (members appointed must also be a city/town representative for the Sonoma County Transportation Authority) to fill the vacancies by Melanie Bagby of Cloverdale and Chris Rogers of Santa Rosa. These appointments will finish out the current terms of Bagby and Rogers that end in February 2027.

Letters Received:

Gerard Giudice, Rohnert Park

Janice Cader Thompson, Petaluma

Todd Lands, Cloverdale

Ariel Kelley, Healdsburg

1 – Non-SCTA appointment (must be from a city/town on the rail line) to fill the expiring term of Debora Fudge of Windsor. This appointment will start a new 4-year fixed term beginning in February.

Letters Received:

Victoria Fleming, Santa Rosa

Chris Herrod, Healdsburg

Alex DeCarli, Petaluma

Sylvia Lemus, Cotati

City Selection Committee Appointments:

Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board – 1 Seat (to fill expiring term of Brian Barnacle of Petaluma). 2-year term starting in February.

Letters Received:

Brian Barnacle, Petaluma

Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District – 1 Seat (to fill expiring term of Gerard Giudice of Rohnert Park). 2-year term starting in February.

Letters Received:

Gerard Giudice, Rohnert Park
Frank Quint, Petaluma

Sonoma County Consolidated Oversight Board – 1 Seat (to fill vacancy of Chris Rogers of Santa Rosa). Term limit at the discretion of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors.

Letters Received:
Jackie Elward, Rohnert Park
Stephen Zollman, Sebastopol

Financial Considerations

Not applicable.

Environmental Issues

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.