

## CITY OF PALO ALTO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

November 2, 2020

The Honorable City Council Palo Alto, California

Approve and Authorize the Extension of the Fall 2020 Board and Commission Recruitment for Positions on the Architectural Review Board, Planning Transportation Commission, Historic Resources Board, and Parks and Recreation Commission for an Additional six Weeks, With an Application Deadline of December 16, 2020

## Recommendation

Staff is requesting authorization from City Council to extend the Fall 2020 Board and Commission recruitment for positions on the Architectural Review Board, Planning and Transportation Commission, Historic Resources Board, and Parks and Recreation Commission for an additional six weeks, with an application deadline of December 16, 2020.

## **Background and Discussion**

The Fall 2020 Board and Commission recruitment began on September 15, 2020 with an application deadline of October 20, 2020.

**Recruitment Summary:** 

- Architectural Review Board 2 positions with terms ending December 15, 2023
- Historic Resources Board 4 positions with terms ending December 15, 2023
- Parks and Recreation Commission 1 unexpired position with a term ending December 15, 2022
- Planning and Transportation Commission 2 positions with terms ending December 15, 2024.

As of October 21, 2020, the City received the following applications:

Architectural Review Board – 2 positions

- 1. Grace Lee (incumbent)
- 2. Osma Thompson (incumbent)

Historic Resources Board – 4 positions

- 1. Martin Bernstein (incumbent)
- 2. Michael Makinen (incumbent)
- 3. Margaret Wimmer (incumbent)

Parks and Recreation Commission – 1 unexpired position

- 1. Amanda Brown
- 2. Geoffrey Nicholls
- 3. Andie Reed

- 4. Curtis Smolar
- 5. Brent Yamashita

Planning and Transportation Commission – 2 positions

- 1. Kevin Ma
- 2. Doria Summa (incumbent)

Staff is requesting approval from the City Council to extend the Fall 2020 Board and Commission recruitment. This will allow additional public outreach, with an application deadline of December 16, 2020. If authorized, the interview selection, interviews, and appointments for these positions will occur in January 2021. Current members holding expiring positions will automatically roll over until an appointment is made.

Department Head: Beth Minor, City Clerk