

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Motion to Waive Council Rules and Reappoint the 2013 Council Subcommittee for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Board Appointments
DEPARTMENT:	City Manager's Office
PRESENTED BY:	John Norris, Assistant City Manager
ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board is a seven member board (plus one youth member) that advises the City Council and City staff on a variety of parks and recreation issues. Members of the Board are appointed to four year terms. Terms of two of the PRCS Board members, Katie Beth and Kevin McAuliffe, are up in March, 2015. The remaining five PRCS Board members were appointed in 2013 with their terms expiring in March, 2017.

Mr. McAuliffe, who has served on the PRCS Board for many years, tendered his resignation from the Board this year, thus retiring from service a year before his term concludes. The City now needs to fill Mr. McAuliffe's position on the Board for the remainder of his term.

DISCUSSION:

Given that the Council needs to fill only one year of Mr. McAuliffe's four year term, rather than going through a new application and interview process, staff recommends that a Council subcommittee review the applicants that were interviewed last year for the five PRCS Board positions and recommend an applicant to the full Council for appointment. As the City received many good candidates for the five open seats on the Board last year, staff is confident that the Council can offer this position to a past applicant and is hopeful that the applicant will still be interested and available to serve.

Council Rules, Section 2.3F and Section 2.4, provide the rules for how ad hoc Council subcommittees, such as interview panels for Council advisory boards, are formed and how citizen appointments to those advisory boards are made. Given this short term appointment to the Parks Board, staff recommends that Council waive their rules of procedure and reappoint the Council Subcommittee that conducted PRCS Board interviews in 2013. This Council subcommittee consisted of Mayor Winstead and Councilmembers McConnell and Roberts. Staff has checked with the Mayor and Councilmembers McConnell and Roberts and they are all willing to serve in this capacity again.

As well, staff also recommends that Council waive their rules regarding appointment of a citizen to fill Mr. McAuliffe's final year of his term. Council rules state that applications will be received from the public, the ad hoc Council subcommittee will determine which applicants to interview after reviewing their applications, interviews will be conducted, and the subcommittee will ultimately review the findings of the interviews to reach consensus on whom to recommend to the full Council for appointment. In lieu of this process, staff recommends that the 2013 Council subcommittee review those applicants that were interviewed last year that were not selected for a position on the PRCS Board, determine who they feel should be appointed to fill this vacancy, and determine if that person is able and willing to complete the final year of Mr. McAuliffe's term. If the initially chosen applicant is not able or willing to serve, the subcommittee could look at subsequent candidates that were also interviewed last year until a candidate is found for recommendation to the full Council. There were seven (7) applicants that were selected for interview in 2013 that were not appointed to the PRCS Board last year.

RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no resource impact in adopting this proposed motion. Staff and Councilmember subcommittee time will be reduced by not going through the full Board appointment process.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Council move to waive Council rule 2.3F and 2.4 and reappoint Mayor Winstead, Councilmember McConnell and Councilmember Roberts to a Council subcommittee to recommend to the full Council a citizen who will replace PRCS Board Commissioner McAuliffe on the PRCS Board through the remainder of his term.

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **IS**