Council Meeting Date:	April 6, 2015	Agenda Item: 8(b)

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Appointment of the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services / Tree Board Members		
	Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Department		
PRESENTED BY:	Eric Friedli, PRCS Director		
ACTION:	Ordinance ResolutionX_ Motion Discussion Public Hearing		

### PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

On March 31 the terms of three Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board members expired. The regular members whose terms expired are Katie Beth, Garry Lingerfelt, and Al Wagar.

On February 12, 2007 the City Council approved Ordinance No. 458 that amended the term limits for PRCS Board members, allowing members to serve up to three consecutive 4-year terms. Katie Beth completed one 4-year term and did not apply for re-appointment to the Board. Al Wagar completed a one-year unexpired term vacated by Kevin McAuliffe in 2014 and he did not apply for re-appointment. Garry Lingerfelt completed a two-year unexpired term vacated by Joe Neiford in 2013 and he applied for re-appointment to a four-year term.

Council now needs to make appointments to fill these three Board positions.

### DISCUSSION:

The City advertised the vacancies to the Board in *Currents, Shoreline Area News,* and on the City's website and subsequently received applications from seven Shoreline residents. A City Council Subcommittee comprised of Mayor Winstead and Councilmembers Hall and McGlashan were appointed to review qualifications and interview candidates. The City Council Subcommittee interviewed all seven candidates on March 14; interviews were advertised and open to the public.

The following residents were interviewed (in order):

- Garry Lingerfelt
- William Clements
- Katie Schielke
- William Hickey
- Cindy Dittbrenner (via Skype)
- William Franklin
- Michael Walters

The Council Subcommittee is recommending that the Council appoint the following candidates to the PRCS/Tree Board:

- Cindy Dittbrenner
- William Franklin
- Katie Schielke

Their terms will start immediately and run for four years. Candidate bios are included as Attachment A to this staff report.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact created as a result of this Council action.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council move to appoint Cindy Dittbrenner, William Franklin and Katie Schielke to the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services/Tree Board to serve a four year term.

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

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A – Recommended Board Appointment Candidate Bios

#### Attachment A

Council Sub-committee Recommendations for PRCS/Tree Board Nominee Biographies

### **Cindy Dittbrenner**

Cindy holds a B.A. in Environmental Science from Willamette University and a Masters degree in Forest Ecology and Soils from the College of Forest Resources at the University of Washington. She is a recent graduate of the Washington AgForestry Leadership Program and is currently employed as the Natural Resources Program Manager for Snohomish Conservation District in Lake Stevens, WA. Cindy is a resident of the Ridgecrest neighborhood and is interested in becoming more involved in local government. She feels strongly about the importance of building community and values recreation and open spaces as tremendous community assets. Cindy is looking forward to adding her technical knowledge of urban forest health, stream and wetland dynamics, beach processes and street tree health to the Board's discussions.

#### William (Bill) Franklin

Bill earned a B.S. in Architecture from Washington State University and is self-employed as a small-business owner with two Shoreline businesses. He is a frequent visitor to Shoreline parks and open spaces on foot and on bike and a regular exhibitor and sponsor at Solar Fest. He is a user of Spartan Recreation Center's programs and classes and has paid several visits to the PRCS/Tree Board as an observer. Bill is looking forward to combining his skills and education as an architect with his love of Shoreline's parks, trees and open spaces to enhance Shoreline's "urban fabric" and recreational opportunities.

## **Katie Schielke**

Katie holds a B.S in Human-Centered Design and Engineering and a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Washington. Her employment experience includes online user experience consulting for Anthro-Tech, business management consulting at West Monroe Partners, and project management and analysis for Washington Mutual. Currently Katie cares for her two small children at home and is the founder and Chair of the Parkwood Neighborhood Association. Katie is interested in building community and creating a sense of place in Shoreline neighborhoods and sees parks and recreational opportunities as instrumental components of "placemaking." She is especially interested in broad-based parks and recreational strategic planning as the City moves into the future.