



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Toni J. Taber, CMC  
City Clerk

**SUBJECT: BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
APPOINTMENTS**

**DATE:** December 11, 2020

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## REPLACEMENT MEMORANDUM

### RECOMMENDATION

(a) Approve the following Charter Review Commission appointments:

- (1) District 1 Seat: Appoint Sammy Robledo;
- (2) District 1 Seat: Appoint Yong Zhao;
- (3) District 2 Seat: Appoint Sherry Segura;
- (4) District 2 Seat: Appoint Christina Johnson;
- (5) District 3 Seat: Appoint Elly Matsumura;
- (6) District 3 Seat: Appoint Jose Posadas;
- (7) District 4 Seat: Appoint Thi Tran;
- (8) District 4 Seat: Appoint Roshni Saxena;
- (9) District 5 Seat: Appoint Veronica Amador;
- (10) District 5 Seat: Appoint Louis Barocio;
- (11) District 6 Seat: Appoint Magnolia Segol;
- (12) District 6 Seat: Appoint Elizabeth Monley;
- (13) District 7 Seat: Appoint Enrico Callender;
- (14) District 7 Seat: Appoint Jeremy Avila;
- (15) District 8 Seat: Appoint Maria Fuentes;
- (16) District 8 Seat: Appoint Jeremy Barousse;
- (17) District 9 Seat: Appoint Linda LaZotte;
- (18) District 9 Seat: Appoint Garrick Percival;
- (19) District 10 Seat: Appoint Dan Bozutto;
- (20) District 10 Seat: Appoint Frank Maitski;
- (21) Citywide Seat: Appoint Lan Diep;
- (22) Citywide Seat: Appoint Barb Marshman;
- (23) Citywide Chair: Appoint Fred Ferrer.

### OUTCOME

Approval of these appointments will be the first appointments to the Charter Review Commission.

## **BACKGROUND**

On September 22, 2020, the City Council approved Resolution No. 79722 establishing the size, composition, and responsibilities of the Charter Review Commission. The resolution requires that each Councilmember shall recommend one Commission member who is a resident of the district of the nominating Council Office. The Mayor shall recommend three members as citywide representatives, with one member nominated to serve as the Chair to preside over meetings and who may vote only to break a tie. The Vice Chair will be elected by the Commission once comprised. The composition of the Commission is to represent a cross-section of backgrounds and professions, including, but not limited to: labor/union, business and development, academia, legal, and government.

The Charter Review Commission shall serve as an advisory committee to the City Council and, once comprised, the Commission will determine the number of meetings, number of public hearings, and schedule of meetings to provide recommendations to the City Council.

The responsibilities of the Charter Review Commission shall include the following:

- 1) Examine the current governance structure as well as a governance structure consistent with the “Mayor-Council” government structure found in other cities in the United States in which the Mayor has executive authority and the Council has legislative authority;
- 2) Research and solicit community input on strong mayor and other potential charter reforms to improve and update the City’s governance structure, including the direction to “Align mayoral executive authority with residents’ and local business’ reasonable expectations for responsive and accountable democratic governance in a major U.S. city”;
- 3) Evaluate whether the Mayor elected in 2022 should serve a two (2)-year or six (6)-year term to transition the mayoral election to the presidential election in 2024 or 2028, respectively;
- 4) Evaluate transition of the election cycle for odd-numbered districts to align with the presidential election cycle and the even-numbered districts with the gubernatorial election cycle; and
- 5) Consider additional measures and potential charter amendments, as needed, that will improve accountability, representation, and inclusion at San Jose City Hall.

## **ANALYSIS**

The applications of all nominated candidates are attached. Because of Brown Act restrictions, the Mayor is not able to make his selection before seeing the submissions from the other Councilmembers; therefore, due to the shorter timeframe between the councilmember nominations and the date of the Council meeting, the Mayor’s nominations may be delayed.

### **EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

A duty of the Office of the City Clerk is to minimize vacancies on the Boards and Commissions.

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

The Office of the City Clerk notified all Council Districts of the vacancies, and created an advertisement for Council offices to run in their newsletters. The Commission was also included in part of the general Boards and Commissions recruitment. The recruitment ended on November 8<sup>th</sup>, and was extended to November 22 for additional applications.

The memorandum has been posted on the City Clerk's website as part of the December 8, 2020 City Council Meeting Agenda.

### **COORDINATION**

This memorandum has been coordinated with the Office of the City Attorney.

### **CEQA**

Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Administrative Activities, resulting in no changes to the physical environment.



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