CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date: 01/21/09

Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: At-Large Committee Appointments

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Consider appointing two (2) at-large appointees to the Waterfront Committee.

BACKGROUND

The Waterfront Committee and the Charter Review Committee each have two (2) At-Large appointments and the Sustainability Committee has one (1).

Pursuant to the City Charter, Section 3.23 appointments made by the entire Council serve until the next regular municipal election. They may continue to serve up to 45 days after the certification of the election, or until reappointed or replaced.

At this time, the Waterfront Committee has one (2) people serving as the At-Large members and the Charter Review Committee has one (1) person serving as the At-Large members and the Sustainability Committee has one (1) person serving as the At-Large member

As the City had an election on November 4, 2008, which was certified on December 8, 2008, the At-Large positions on all three (3) Committees are now open for appointment by the City Council.

Four (4) applications have been received for the Waterfront Committee At-Large appointments: Mike Adney, Kathy Diehl, Allan Maris, and Eddy So. One application received from Gabriel Baty who is willing to serve on any City Committee/Commission/Board.

One application was received for the Charter Review Committee and none for the Sustainability Committee. Therefore, staff is recommending that the at-large positions for these two committees be held over until February to see if additional applications are received. As these two committees meet monthly, the additional time frame should not present a problem.

Attached is a memo from members of the Charter Review Committee regarding the At-Large appointment process and recommending that the Council implement cumulative voting for all Committees with more than one At-Large appointee, specifically Waterfront and Charter Review.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

Not Applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Staff time

Attachments:

Applications

Memo from Charter Review Members