STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 1, 2022

TO: Governing Body

FROM: City Attorney/Planning Commission Secretary

RE: Temporary Appointment



<u>ISSUES:</u> Planning Commission is seeing a lot of volume as development increases in Bel Aire. Having 6 members has made it harder to reach quorum particularly in the current COVID situation.

Currently planning commission terms expire at different times of the year, the Mayor and staff have to keep up with which months to expect new appointments or conduct trainings.

DISCUSSION:

By making a **temporary appointment**, through the June Planning Commission (PC) meeting, both issues can be addressed. The Mayor can make the **regular appointment** this June at the same time as the majority of the term cycles. June would become the month that planning commissioners terms expire, renew, and appointments are made. That consistency would create predictability for scheduling hearings and training new commissioners.

Since PC is very active right now due to city growth, it is not desirable to cancel meetings because PC was not able to reach quorum with COVID and absences. If council will consider it, a temporary appointment may alleviate this issue and allow us to keep PC meetings going through the next few months until we can get all PC members on the renewal cycle in June.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider confirming a temporary appointment to planning commission.