

COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM



TOPIC: Planning Commission Appointment

Meeting Date: May 9, 2023
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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Consider appointment of Jerry Behney to the Planning Commission.

Recommended Motion: *I move to recommend Mayor Bell appoint Jerry Behney to Planning Commission to fill the vacancy of a two-year term expiring in October 2023.*

BACKGROUND

Currently, there is one Planning Commission vacancy that resulted from Alan Wells being elected as City Councilor. Jerry Behney submitted an application and demonstrated that he meets the requirements of the Planning Commission. At the April 19, 2023 meeting, the Planning Commission reviewed, interviewed and provided a unanimous (4-0) recommendation to appoint the applicant.

Planning Commission Bylaws:

- *Section 1. The planning commission shall consist of seven members to be appointed by the City Council. Five members shall be City residents. One, but not more than two may live not within the City but either within the area of influence as defined by the Comprehensive Plan, or own real property within the City or be an owner or partner of a business in the city limits. The area of influence is the City plus six miles adjacent thereto.*
- *Section 2. No more than two members shall be engaged principally in buying, selling, or developing of real estate for a profit as individuals or be members of any partnership, or officers of or employees of any corporation that is engaged principally in buying, selling, or developing real estate for a profit. No more than two members shall be engaged in the same kind of business, trade or profession (ORS 227.030).*
- *Section 3. Members shall be appointed for two year terms, renewable upon majority vote of the commission present at a meeting.*

The position appointment expires in October 2023 and will come back to City Council for reappointment.

RECOMMENDATION AND ALTERNATIVES

1. Appoint applicant to Planning Commission.
 2. Do not appoint applicant to the position. This action would result in a continued vacancy.
 3. Taking no action would result in a continued vacancy.
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BUDGET / FINANCIAL IMPACT

None

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

None.

NEXT STEPS

If appointed, prior to the Planning Commission first meeting, an orientation meeting will be setup with the committee staff and the committee Chair to go over responsibilities, current projects.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Jerry Behney Planning Commission application

REVIEWED THROUGH:

Anne Heath, City Administrator
Sammy Egbert, City Recorder