

COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM



TOPIC: Heritage Committee Appointment

Meeting Date: February 14, 2023

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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Consider appointment of Ronald Spores to the Heritage Committee.

Suggested Motion: *"I move to recommend Mayor Bell appoint Ronald Spores to the Heritage Committee position five to fill the remainder of the term that expires on March 2024."*

CITY COUNCIL GOAL

Livability, Health & Vitality

Committees & Commissions

BACKGROUND

One Heritage Committee vacancy exists. Ronald Spores submitted an application and has demonstrated that he meets the requirements of the Heritage Committee. The Heritage Committee unanimously recommended the appointment of applicant Ronald Spores at the December 14th, 2022 meeting.

Historic Preservation Ordinance (ORD 226.A):

Section 5.A. The Mayor, subject to City Council approval, shall appoint a Historic Landmark Advisory Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Landmark Commission", of at least three but no more than five members with a demonstrated competence, knowledge, or interest in historic preservation with preference given to those with professional experience in the fields of preservation, architecture, archaeology, community history, building trades, real estate, or related specialties. At least two members shall consist of one Planning Commissioner, and one resident of the City of Coburg. In cases where there is not sufficient interest or it is difficult to find qualified members it is acceptable to accept commissioners from outside the City of Coburg. Members shall serve without compensation, but are eligible for reimbursement of expenses related to their service. At least member of the Commission shall reside within the Coburg Historic District.

Section 5.C. Initial appointments to the Landmark Commission shall be for terms of two and three years. The first and third position shall be appointed for three years, the second position for two years. The fourth and fifth positions, if filled shall have terms corresponding

to the second and third positions, respectively. Subsequent terms of appointment shall be for three years, or in the case of a replacement, for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members shall be eligible for reappointment.

BUDGET

The financial impact of this action is negligible.

RECOMMENDATION AND ALTERNATIVES

Staff recommends that Mayor Bell appoint Ronald Spores to the Heritage Committee.

Alternates include:

1. Appoint applicant to Heritage Committee.
2. Do not appoint applicant to position. This action would result in continued vacancies.
3. Taking no action would result in continued vacancies.

NEXT STEPS

If appointed, the new Heritage Committee member will be notified of the next scheduled meetings and be provided background materials.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Ronald Spores Application

REVIEWED THROUGH:

Anne Heath, City Administrator
