



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** June 12, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Approval of appointment of Phil Anderson to the Audit Committee for a term ending on June 30, 2026

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval to appoint Phil Anderson as a public member of the Audit Committee for a term ending on June 30, 2026.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The Deschutes County Audit Committee provides oversight to the external and internal audit functions of the County. It helps ensure the audit function retains organizational independence from political and administrative pressures. The Audit Committee's organizational documents are codified in the Deschutes County Code Chapter 2.15.

The Audit Committee consists of

- One representative from the Board of County Commissioners
- Six public members (two positions are optional)
- Two Department Heads (traditionally one of the Department Head positions is held by an elected official)

Audit Committee terms are two years long and are staggered so as to not have all of the committee members turn-over in any given year. Members may be reappointed to successive terms. The County Administrator and Finance Director are precluded from serving on the committee.

Following Stan Turel's declination to be reappointed, the committee held an open recruitment for the open position. The position was advertised on the County website and through County social media. There were six applicants and a subcommittee consisting of Patti Adair (Deschutes County Commissions and Audit Committee member), Daryl Parrish (Audit Committee Chair), and Audit staff interviewed the applicants. All applicants were highly qualified and expressed a strong interest in serving the County and promoting transparency and accountability. The subcommittee selected Phil Anderson for the committee because of the diverse experience he would bring to the committee,

commitment to ethics, and deep roots in the County. The subcommittee appreciated the participation of all applicants and is recommending that they apply for other County committees.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None

**ATTENDANCE:**

Elizabeth Pape, County Internal Auditor