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## AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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**TO:** FRUITA CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** DEPUTY CITY CLERK DEBRA WOODS FOR MAYOR BREMAN AND COUNCILOR DOWNS

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 4, 2025

**AGENDA TEXT:** BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS – A request to approve the appointments of Amber Asakura and Elliott Ramage to the Arts and Culture Board for three-year terms each to expire in February of 2028

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### BACKGROUND

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024, two Arts and Culture Board members resigned from the board, thus creating two vacancies. The vacancies have been advertised by the City since April 10, 2024.

On December 5, 2024, Elliott Ramage submitted his application for appointment to the Fruita Arts and Culture Board. On January 2, 2025, Amber Asakura also submitted her application for appointment to the board. On January 21, 2025, Mayor Breman and Council Liaisons Andrea Downs interviewed both applicants and subsequently recommend their appointments to the Arts and Culture board for three-year terms each to expire in February of 2028. Staff has not received any other applications.

If Elliott Ramage and Amber Asakura are appointed, there will be one (1) remaining vacancy on the Arts and Culture Board. That vacancy is due to the City Council changing their policy so that Council Liaisons seats are not counted against the maximum number of members for all of the City's Boards and Commissions. Staff will continue to advertise that vacancy going forward.

### FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

### APPLICABILITY TO CITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Boards and Commissions provide valuable input to the City and help establish goals and objectives. They provide a link between citizens of Fruita and city government.

### OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNCIL

1. Appoint Amber Asakura and Elliott Ramage to the Arts and Culture Board for three-year terms each to expire in February of 2028
2. Instruct staff to publish a notice of vacancy and repeat the interview process.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is the recommendation of Mayor Breman and Councilor Downs that the City Council by motion:

- **APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF AMBER ASAJURA AND ELLIOTT RAMAGE TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE BOARD FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS EACH TO EXPIRE IN FEBRUARY OF 2028**