



BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6326
September 5, 2023
Regular Business

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6326: Board & Commission Vacancy Appointment (Resolution No. 1647)	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Appoint a member to the vacant position on the Arts Council.	

DEPARTMENT:	City Council
STAFF:	Salim Nice, Mayor Andrea Larson, City Clerk
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. City Council Rules of Procedure, Section 8 2. Resolution No. 1647
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	n/a

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda bill is to appoint a member to the vacant position (No. 3, expiring May 31, 2026) on the Arts Council.

BACKGROUND

During the annual recruitment and appointment process in May ([AB 6277](#)) only two applications were received for the three vacant or expiring positions on the Arts Council. City Council directed staff to conduct a recruitment process in June through August to fill the vacant position on the Arts Council.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

RECRUITMENT PROCESS

The vacancy was advertised across several platforms, including a website news release, City Manager Reports, the MI Weekly newsletter, social media, and City Council and boards and commission meetings. All board and commission members were encouraged to reach out to community members that might be willing to volunteer to apply for a position.

In response to outreach efforts, three applications were received by the August 25, 2023 deadline. The application materials were forwarded to the City Council for review on August 28, 2023.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS

The board and commission appointment process (see Exhibit 2, [City Council Rules of Procedure](#), specifically Section 8.12) provides that all appointments are made by a vote of the City Council during a regularly scheduled meeting. Each Councilmember will complete a written ballot, casting a vote for the identified open seat on a board or commission. If there is more than one open seat on a board or commission, then each position will be voted on separately (the position with the longest term will be voted on first).

Councilmembers attending the meeting virtually, ballots will be submitted to the City Clerk via email to comply with the Rules of Procedure and [RCW 42.30.060\(2\)](#). The City Clerk will read aloud the votes by each Councilmember.

The applicant that receives the most votes, provided they have received a minimum of four votes, will be appointed to the open seat on the Arts Council.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Vote on applicants to fill Position No. 3 (expiring May 31, 2026) on the Arts Council.
2. Approve Resolution No. 1647, appointing a new member to the Arts Council.