



# BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 5791  
January 5, 2021  
Regular Business

## AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

<b>TITLE:</b>	AB 5791: 2021 City Council Liaison Assignments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>	Mayor Wong Appoints Councilmembers to City Boards and Commissions, Local Assignments, and Regional Assignments.	<input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution

<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Council
<b>STAFF:</b>	Deborah Estrada, City Clerk, on behalf of Mayor Benson Wong
<b>COUNCIL LIAISON:</b>	n/a
<b>EXHIBITS:</b>	1. 2020-2021 City Council Liaison Assignments
<b>CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:</b>	n/a

<b>AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE</b>	\$ n/a
<b>AMOUNT BUDGETED</b>	\$ n/a
<b>APPROPRIATION REQUIRED</b>	\$ n/a

## SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda bill is to appoint 2021 City Council Liaisons to advisory boards and commissions, local committees, and certain regional committees.

### BACKGROUND

It has been the City Council's customary practice to assign City Council Liaisons at the first meeting of the new year. During the December 7, 2020 City Council leadership meeting, City Manager Bon suggested that Councilmembers remain in their current assignments through 2021 to ensure continuity for staff during what will continue to be a time of great transition. Additionally, many boards and commissions met only a few times during 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and consequently some Councilmembers only recently started serving in their liaison roles.

### CITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

Section 2.3C(6) of the City Council [Rules of Procedure](#) states that the Mayor, in consultation with the Deputy Mayor, appoints Councilmembers to serve as liaisons to advisory boards and commissions and to serve on standing City Council committees, ad hoc committees, local committees, and certain regional committees. After conferring with all City Councilmembers, Mayor Wong and Deputy Mayor Weiker propose that Councilmembers remain in their current assignments for 2021, with one exception. Councilmember

Rosenbaum will serve as the representative to the Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee and Mayor Wong will now serve as the alternate.

A City Council liaison to the Chamber of Commerce will be appointed once an agreement is executed between the two parties, which is anticipated in early Q1 2021.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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