



## CITY OF MILPITAS AGENDA REPORT (AR)

<b>Item Title:</b>	<b>Consider the Appointment of Steve Belong to Serve on the Milpitas Planning Commission</b>
<b>Category:</b>	Consent Calendar-Leadership and Support Services
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	2/18/2020
<b>Contact:</b>	Mayor Rich Tran, 408-586-3029
<b>Recommendation:</b>	Per Mayor Tran and recommendation of Councilmember Dominguez, move to appoint Steve Belong to a term of three years on the Milpitas Planning Commission in a term that will expire in December 2022.

**Background:**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 40605, an elected mayor, "with the approval of the city council, shall make all appointments to boards, commissions, and committees..." All appointees to the Planning Commission must be residents and registered voters in Milpitas and may not hold any other public office or employment in the government of the City of Milpitas.

The term of office for each member of the Milpitas Planning Commission is three years, commencing on the first day of January and concluding on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December of the third year thereafter. In accordance with the Planning Commission bylaws, a Planning Commissioner whose term has expired may continue to serve an "extended" term until a successor is appointed. New appointees then complete the unexpired portion of the normal term of the appointed seat. Members of the Milpitas Planning Commission may serve up to three consecutive three-year terms.

The following table shows the status and expiration date of each current Commissioner's term of service.

Member	Term Expiration	Status
Timothy Alcorn	Dec. 2021	Current
Bill Chuan	Dec. 2020	Current
Sudhir Mandal	Dec. 2019	Extended
Demetress Morris	Dec. 2019	Extended
Evelyn Chua	Dec. 2021	Current
Steve Tao	Dec. 2021	Current
Ricardo Ablaza	Dec. 2020	Current

**Analysis:**

Any resident interested in serving on the Planning Commission must submit an application and questionnaire response to the City Clerk. The Clerk confirms each applicant's current voter registration and provides a list of qualified applicants to the Planning Director. The Planning Director reviews the list and provides input to the

Mayor. The Mayor may ask for additional input from the Council and/or invite additional members of the community to submit applications.

Six Milpitas residents have submitted applications in the past 12 months for consideration for Council appointment or reappointment to the Planning Commission:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Registered Voter</b>
Russell Bargstadt	Director of Operations, DeVry Institute B.S., Electronics; Pines HOA; Zanker PTA	Yes
Steve Belong	15 years construction experience; state-certified; union representative in four counties	Yes
Demetress Morris	Served previous term on Planning Commission	Yes
Ha Phan	Vice Chair, Library and Education Advisory Commission	Yes
Kyle Roach	She works for A3 by Airbus, employed in field of Human Resources	Yes
Thomas Valore	Retired financial planner, CFO - Milpitas Chamber of Commerce	Yes

Councilmember Dominguez has recommended resident Steve Belong to complete the remainder of the 3-year Planning Commission term currently filled by Sudhir Mandal. This term will expire in December 2022. Mr. Mandal has served with distinction on the Planning Commission for the past 12 years, including two years as Chair.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Appointments to City Commissions will result in no new fiscal impact.

**Recommendation:**

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**Attachment:**

6 current applications & questionnaires for Milpitas Planning Commission