

Date: December 13, 2022

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

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Title: Appointment of Members to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board

Approved By: Jen Callaway, Town Manager

Recommended Action: 1) Reappoint Allison Pedley to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board for a four-year term ending in 2026; 2) appoint Troy Oritz and Peter Kraatz to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board for a four-year term ending in 2026; 3) appoint Barney Dewey to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizens Oversight Board for a two-year term expiring in 2024; and 4) appoint Steven Cull as a voting alternate.

Discussion: Truckee voters have passed the following measures that provide funding to the Town:

- 2008: Measure V extending a ½ percent sales tax for road maintenance and construction in Truckee.
- 2020: Measure K creating a 2 percent transient occupancy tax for general services such as housing, preserving open space, and wildfire preparation.
- 2014: Measure R creating a ¼ percent sales tax for trails maintenance and construction.
- 2022: Measure U renewing and increasing to a ½ percent sales tax for trails maintenance and construction (replacing Measure R).

As part of the passage of these measures, Truckee voters mandated an annual review, using an independent citizen oversight committee for all the measure proceed expenditures. This committee is a Council-appointed committee, referred to as the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board (TTMCOB). The TTMCOB meets as many times as is necessary to provide a recommendation to Council regarding the measure expenditures (typically once annually in early spring).

In 2022, three TTMCOB board seats expired. Two of the board members elected to not return to the board but Allision Pedley, from the Truckee Trails Foundation, indicated she was interested in serving another four-year team. In addition, one board member decided to not serve the remainder of their 2020-2024 term, although existing members Reid Cox (2024) and Kipp Cooley (2024) have agreed to continue to serve on the Board, leaving three vacant seats. Two of the vacant seats are for four-year terms set to expire in November 2026. The third vacant seat is set to expire in November 2024.

Troy Oritz has served as a voting alternate since November 2018 and has expressed an interest in becoming a primary voting board member. Therefore, staff recommends appointing Troy Oritz to one of the four-year seats that expire in November 2026. This leaves two vacant board seats and one voting alternative seat.

Staff ran an ad on the Town website and in the Sierra Sun to solicit interest from the Truckee community for these positions. The Town received three applications prior to the application deadline from Peter Kraatz, Barney Dewey, and Steven Cull. All three applicants were determined to be eligible to serve on the board and brief interviews were held with each applicant. Based on the information presented above,

as well as staff's review of the applications and applicant interviews, staff is recommending that Council do the following:

- Re-appoint Allison Pedley to continue service on the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board with a term ending in November 2026.
- Appoint Troy Oritz to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board with a term ending in November 2026.
- Appoint Peter Kraatz to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board with a term ending in November 2026.
- Appoint Barney Dewey to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board with a term ending in November 2024.
- Appoint Steven Cull as a Voting Alternate to the Truckee Tax Measure Citizen's Oversight Board with a term ending in November 2026.

<u>Priority</u> :
Enhanced Communication Climate and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Housing Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness X Core Service
Fiscal Impact: None.
<u>Public Communication</u> : In addition to this staff report there was a Notice of Vacancy advertised on the Town of Truckee website and published in the Sierra Sun.
Attachments:
None.