



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Bicycle Advisory Commission Appointment

REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider accepting nominations and appointing one individual to the Bicycle Advisory Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion accepting a nomination and appointing one applicant to serve on the Bicycle Advisory Commission with a term expiration date of July 1, 2019.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Accept nomination and appoint one applicant to serve on the Bicycle Advisory Commission; or,
2. Refer to staff with direction to resume recruitment of applicants for this commission.

AUTHORITY

Article VII, Sections 700, 702, 702.1, and 705 of the Merced City Charter.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Not Applicable

DISCUSSION

The Bicycle Advisory Commission (BAC) serves as an advisory body to the City of Merced advising the City Council on matters relating to improving conditions for bicyclists, promoting bicycling as a means of transportation with the associated benefits of improved air quality, and improving safety conditions for bicyclists.

The Commission consists of seven registered City of Merced voting members, with two ex-officio members appointed at City Council discretion. Ex-officio members are non-voting members who may be non-City residents who live within the City's sphere of influence or persons who otherwise demonstrate a strong concern for bicycle-related issues within the City. Regular meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every even numbered month during normal business hours.

One of the seven positions on the Bicycle Advisory Commission became vacant on August 27, 2014 when David Guzzetta resigned from the BAC.

In accordance with Council direction, the Clerk's Office has noticed vacancies for all boards and commissions in a local newspaper and maintains an updated vacancy notice for all boards and

commissions outside City Hall, at the entrance of the Council Chamber and on the City's website. Additionally, in accordance with Government Code 54972, the Clerk's Office posts the Local Appointments List yearly.

The Clerk's Office has received two qualified applications for the vacancy. The applications of Katherine Oestman and Ralph Morris and current Bicycle Advisory Commission roster are attached.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

No appropriation of funds necessary.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Current Bicycle Advisory Commission Roster
2. Application of Katherine Oestman
3. Application of Ralph Morris