



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MAY 21, 2024

FROM: CITY CLERK WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENTS

ISSUE:

Consider City Council Standing Committee and Regional Organization assignments.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider the Mayors Nominating and Screening Committee recommendations for City Council Standing Committee and Regional Organization assignments.

BACKGROUND:

Resolution 24076, Section XIII stipulates the establishment of eight (8) Standing Committees within the City Council, each comprising of three members. The committees oversee specific areas within the city's governance structure and form an integral part of the City Council's structure, ensuring consistency and continuity in decision-making processes.

The Standing Committees are:

- Economic Development
- Finance
- Housing and Homelessness
- Governmental Processes
- Land Use
- Mayor's Nominating Screening
- Mobility and Infrastructure
- Safety, Wellness, and Youth

Resolution No. 24076 also mandates that each Councilmember assume roles as Chair, Vice-Chair, and Member across three Committees. The Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee (MNSC) consists of the Mayor as Chair and members of the Governmental Processes Committee.

Furthermore, the resolution states the consideration of new assignments should follow each election and emphasizes honoring the preferences of senior Councilmembers to the greatest extent possible. The preferences, along with seniority rankings, are detailed in attached charts, proposing two rosters that prioritize these preferences accordingly. Below is a chart identifying the date that each City Council member assumed office.

ELECTED OFFICIAL SENIORITY	
Philip Falcone	4/9/2024
Clarissa Cervantes	7/13/2021
Steven Robillard	4/9/2024
Chuck Conder	6/6/2017
Sean Mill	4/9/2024
Jim Perry	6/4/2013
Steve Hemenway	11/5/2019

Following the recent General Municipal election, the City Council welcomes three new members. Due to the timing of election certification and the onboarding process, the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem have recommended that the new members temporarily assume the assignments of their predecessors until this matter was formally addressed by the MNSC and the City Council.

The City Clerk conducted a poll among Council members to ascertain their preferences. Primarily, three members with the most seniority expressed their desire to maintain their current assignments within Standing Committees and Regional Organizations. The other senior member requested new committee assignments, while the incoming members provided their ranked preferences for their assignments. Given the existing appointments of the most tenured members, there were limited options for reassignments.

DISCUSSION:

On May 7, 2024, the MNSC discussed the matter and made the following recommendations for City Council standing committees:

CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE	MEMBERS
Economic Development	Chair: ROBILLARD Vice Chair: CERVANTES Member: HEMENWAY
Finance	Chair: HEMENWAY Vice Chair: ROBILLARD Member: FALCONE
Housing and Homelessness	Chair: CERVANTES Vice Chair: MILL Member: ROBILLARD
Governmental Processes	Chair: FALCONE Vice Chair: PERRY Member: CONDER

Land Use	Chair: MILL Vice Chair: FALCONE Member: CERVANTES
Mayor's Nominating & Screening	Chair: LOCK DAWSON Member: FALCONE Member: PERRY Member: CONDER
Mobility And Infrastructure	Chair: CONDER Vice Chair: HEMENWAY Member: PERRY
Safety, Wellness and Youth	Chair: PERRY Vice Chair: CONDER Member: MILL

In addition, the MNSC considered the Regional Organization appointments, and approved the following recommendations for appointments:

REGIONAL ORGANIZATION	APPOINTEE	STATUS
Agua Mansa Industrial Growth Association, Executive Committee	Philip Falcone Patricia Lock Dawson	Member Alternate
Historic Preservation Fund Committee	Philip Falcone	Member
League of California Cities - Riverside County Division	Sean Mill Philip Falcone	Member Alternate
March Air Reserve Base Joint Powers Commission	Chuck Conder Jim Perry Clarissa Cervantes	Member Member Alternate
Regional Advisory Committee for Sewage Treatment Plant	Jim Perry Steven Robillard	Member Member
Riverside County Community Action Commission	Steven Robillard Clarissa Cervantes	Member Alternate
Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency	Steve Hemenway Steven Robillard	Member Alternate
Riverside County Solid Waste Management Advisory Council	Jim Perry Sean Mill	Member Alternate
Riverside County Transportation Commission	Chuck Conder Patricia Lock Dawson	Member Alternate
Riverside Neighborhood Partnership	Steven Robillard Philip Falcone	Member Alternate
Riverside Transit Agency	Steve Hemenway Clarissa Cervantes	Member Alternate

SCAG Regional Council	Patricia Lock Dawson <i>Clarissa Cervantes</i>	Member Alternate
Western Municipal Water District Ad Hoc Committee	Chuck Conder <i>Sean Mill</i>	Member Member
Western Riverside Council of Governments	<i>Chuck Conder</i> <i>Clarissa Cervantes</i>	Member Alternate
Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority	Patricia Lock Dawson Steve Hemenway	Member Alternate

FISCAL IMPACT:

Assignments to City Council Standing Committees and Regional Organizations do not incur any fiscal impact since the costs for staffing these committees are already accounted for within the annual budget.

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Concurs with:


 PATRICIA LOCK DAWSON, Chair
 Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee

- Attachments:
- Current Standing Committee Roster
 - Proposed Standing Committee Roster
 - Current Regional Organization Roster
 - Proposed Regional Organization Roster
 - City Council Standing Committee Preferences
 - Mayor and City Council Regional Organization Preferences