



City of Arts & Innovation

# Mayor’s Nominating and Screening Committee Memorandum

**TO: MAYOR’S NOMINATING AND SCREENING COMMITTEE      DATE: MAY 7, 2024**

**FROM: CITY CLERK’S OFFICE      WARDS: ALL**

**SUBJECT: HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

**ISSUES:**

Appoint Councilmember Falcone to the Historic Preservation Fund Committee for a term ending March 1, 2026.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Mayor’s Nominating and Screening Committee appoint Councilmember Falcone to the Historic Preservation Fund Committee for a term ending March 1, 2026.

**BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

Section 20.30.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code establishes a Historic Preservation Fund Program to provide funding for the conservation, preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of cultural resources. The Code further provides that the Historic Preservation Fund shall be administered by a Historic Preservation Fund Committee consisting of five members serving two-year terms.

The Cultural Heritage Board designates two of its members to serve as representatives and the Mayor’s Nominating and Screening Committee selects the City Council representative. The remaining two seats are designated for City residents affiliated with separate Riverside-specific historic preservation organizations appointed by the Mayor’s Nominating and Screening Committee.

The roster below reflects the current composition of the Committee and terms of office:

NAME	AGENCY	APPOINTED	CURRENT TERM
VACANT	City Council		
Nanci Larsen	Old Riverside Foundation	3/1/2024	3/1/2026
Rosalind M. Sagara	Chinatown Committee	3/1/2024	3/1/2026
Jordan R. Sisson	Cultural Heritage Board	2/1/2023	3/1/2025
Jennifer J. Gamble	Cultural Heritage Board	1/18/2023	3/1/2025

## **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

The Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee appointing members to the Historic Preservation Fund Committee contributes to the City Council's Envision 2025 Strategic Plan Priorities and Goals:

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Goal 5.3 - Enhance communication and collaboration with community members to improve transparency, build public trust, and encourage shared decision-making.

The appointment of members to the Historic Preservation Fund Committee aligns with the 5 Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** – Riverside is transparent and makes decisions based on sound policy, inclusive community engagement, involvement of City Boards and Commissions, and timely and reliable information. The City's involvement with the appointment process is transparent and serves the public interest, as these interviews are conducted in a public meeting.
2. **Equity** – Riverside residents are encouraged to apply to the Historic Preservation Fund Committee. The City supports racial, ethnic, religious, sexual orientation, identity, geographic, and other attributes of diversity and is committed to advancing equity through fair treatment and recognition of rights. The demographics section of applications is removed to promote a fair and unbiased selection process by the committee.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – Riverside is a prudent steward of public funds and ensures responsible management of the City's financial resources while providing quality public services to all. There is no funding associated with this report. However, maintaining an active Historic Preservation Fund Committee ensures that quality services are provided to all with fiscal responsibility as a priority.
4. **Innovation** – The appointment process prepares Riverside for future initiatives through collaborative partnerships with new members. These members bring new perspectives and ideas to Riverside, helping to meet the community's ever-changing needs.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – Riverside is committed to meeting the present needs without compromising the needs of the future and ensuring the City's capacity to persevere, adapt and grow during fluctuating times alike. It is essential to keep an active and engaged Historic Preservation Fund Committee to maintain sustainable and resilient programs and services and monitor and promote innovation for a more sustainable future.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Board/commission/committee recruitment and appointment costs are absorbed in the City Clerk's Office Budget.

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