CHULA VISTA

City of Chula Vista

Staff Report

File#: 16-0234, Item#: 3.

ORDINANCE NO. 3366 OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADDING SECTION 2.25.055 OF THE CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE REAPPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (SECOND READING AND ADOPTION)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council adopt the ordinance.

SUMMARY

The proposed ordinance provides for the reappointment processes for boards and commissions in accordance with Council direction at the meeting of April 12, 2016. Members of the commissions that are interviewed and appointed by the Council who are eligible and interested in being reappointed and who have served more than one year will be interviewed by the Council prior to reappointment. When an incumbent is not reappointed, the seat will be filled using the applicable appointment process.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Environmental Notice

The activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

Environmental Determination

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

At the Council meeting of April 12, 2016, in response to a Council referral, staff presented options for possible reappointment processes for members who are interviewed and appointed by the full Council. The four City commissions that are nominated, interviewed, and appointed by the full Council are:

- Growth Management Oversight Commission
- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Planning Commission

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Two seats on the Civil Service Commission

There was consensus of the Council to require members of these commissions who have served for more than one year to be interviewed by the Council prior to reappointment. Those members who have served less than one year will be presented to Council for approval using the current process. All reappointments require three affirmative votes of the Council. When an incumbent is not reappointed, the seat will then be filled using the established appointment procedure.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the 500-foot rule found in California Code of Regulations Title 2, section 18702.2(a)(11), is not applicable to this decision for purposes of determining a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.).

Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Councilmember, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS

The City's Strategic Plan has five major goals: Operational Excellence, Economic Vitality, Healthy Community, Strong and Secure Neighborhoods and a Connected Community. Support for boards and commissions, including executing reappointment processes, is directly related to the Connected Community goal. Members of the City's boards and commissions play a vital role by participating in the City's processes and helping influence public policy with their diverse viewpoints.

CURRENT YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

The current fiscal year impact is anticipated to consist of staff time to coordinate reappointments and schedule one or more special City Council meetings. Staff does not anticipate that additional funds will be required.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

The ongoing fiscal year impact is anticipated to consist of staff to coordinate reappointments and schedule one or more special City Council meetings. Staff does not anticipate that additional funds will be required.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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