



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: February 17, 2015
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Byron Pope, MMC
City Clerk
Subject: Planning Commission Interview Panel Report

INTRODUCTION

The Planning Commission (PC) Interview Panel composed of Mayor Lili Bosse, Councilmember John A. Mirisch, PC Chair Howard Fisher and PC Vice Chair Alan Block met on Thursday, February 5, 2015. Mayor Bosse left the meeting after the third applicant, and requested the other three panel members to complete the interviews. The panel interviewed a total of eleven candidates considering one vacant position and one upcoming vacancy on the Commission.

DISCUSSION

After discussion and careful review, the Panel unanimously recommends **Lori Greene Gordon** for appointment to fill the currently vacant position of Commissioner Brian Rosenstein who resigned on January 13, 2015. Ms. Greene Gordon must attend all PC meetings leading up to her appointment in April 2015. The Panel also recommends **Andy Licht** for appointment to fill the upcoming vacancy for retiring Commissioner Craig Corman whose term is currently scheduled to end on June 30, 2015. The Panel recommends Mr. Corman remain seated for two additional months (through the end of August 2015), and Mr. Licht's first term to begin in September 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

The PC Interview Panel recommends that the City Council appoint Lori Greene Gordon and Andy Licht to the PC. With the concurrence of the Council, a formal report will be prepared for adoption at the April 7, 2015 Regular City Council meeting.

In addition, the Panel requests that the remaining candidates be thanked and advised that they each gave thoughtful and compelling answers to the questions posed by the Panel. The City is fortunate to have an extraordinary applicant pool and the applicants are encouraged to re-apply for upcoming vacancies and attend as many future PC meetings as possible. In addition, those applicants who have not participated in Team Beverly Hills are urged to do so.

Byron Pope
Approved By