



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: March 1, 2016
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Byron Pope, MMC
City Clerk
Subject: Commission Reappointments (Cultural Heritage, Fine Art, Human Relations, Planning, Public Works, and Traffic and Parking)
Attachment: 1. Commissioner Letters

INTRODUCTION

The following Commissioners are eligible for reappointment to a second term of four years. The Commissioners have submitted correspondence indicating willingness to serve a second term.

DISCUSSION

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION

Noah Furie

First term expires June 30, 2016
Meetings held (March 7, 2012 – January 31, 2016) – 12 regular, 23 special
Absences - 0
Recusal - 3

Rebecca Pynoos

First term expires June 30, 2016
Meetings held (March 7, 2012 – January 31, 2016) – 12 regular, 23 special
Absences - 0
Recusal - 1

Richard Waldow

First term expires June 30, 2016
Meetings held (March 7, 2012 – January 29, 2016) – 12 regular, 23 special
Absences - 0 regular, 2 special
Recusal - 0

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FINE ART COMMISSION

Carolyn Hiller

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (February 20, 2014 – February 8, 2016) - 27

Absences - 3

Recusal - 0

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Sonia Berman

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (May 15, 2014 – February 18, 2016) - 21

Absences - 0

Recusal - 1

Ori Blumenfeld

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (May 15, 2014 – February 18, 2016) - 21

Absences - 0

Recusal - 0

Jerald Friedman

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (May 15, 2014 – February 18, 2016) - 21

Absences - 3

Recusal - 0

Karen Popovich Levyn

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (May 15, 2014 – February 18, 2016) - 21

Absences - 1

Recusal - 0

PLANNING COMMISSION

Farshid Joe Shooshani

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (March 1, 2014 – January 28, 2016) – 35 regular, 6 special

Absences - 2 regular, 0 special

Recusal - 3

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Jerrold S. Felsenthal

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (March 1, 2014 – February 11, 2016) - 26

Absences - 1

Recusal – 0

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TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION

Jacob Manaster

First term expires June 30, 2016

Meetings held (May 1, 2014 – February 4, 2016) – 19 regular, 5 special

Absences - 2 regular, 3 special

Recusal - 1

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

The City Council Liaisons (Cultural Heritage Commission: Vice Mayor John A. Mirisch and Councilmember William W. Brien, M.D.; Fine Art Commission: Councilmembers Lili Bosse and Nancy Krasne; Human Relations Commission: Councilmembers Lili Bosse and Nancy Krasne; Planning Commission: Mayor Julian A. Gold, M.D. and Councilmember Lili Bosse; Public Works Commission: Vice Mayor John A. Mirisch and Councilmember William W. Brien, M.D., and Traffic and Parking Commission: Mayor Julian A. Gold, M.D. and Councilmember William W. Brien, M.D.) recommend these reappointments. In accordance with the reappointment process, if a City Councilmember does not request a discussion of a particular reappointment, staff will prepare the report for adoption at the April 5, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.

Byron Pope 
Approved By

Attachment 1

From: Noah Furie [mailto:noah@noahfurie.com]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 5:09 PM
To: Byron Pope
Subject: Reappointment

This letter will serve as my confirmation that I would be interested in being reappointed to the Cultural Heritage Commission.

Noah Furie
Executive Vice President
Budget Mortgage Corp
Direct Dial: 310-954-1602
BRE#00671363
NMLS#89817

Byron Pope

From: Rebecca Pynoos <pynoosr@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 1:03 PM
To: Byron Pope
Subject: Cultural Heritage Commission term

Hello Byron,

In response to your letter regarding my term on the Cultural Heritage Commission, I enthusiastically request to be considered for an additional term.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Pynoos

Byron Pope

From: Ann Markowitz <richann@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 10:08 AM
To: Byron Pope
Subject: From Rich Waldow/CHC reappointment request

Hi, Mr. Pope. I hope that your holidays have been going well. As we discussed the other day, I would like to be considered for reappointment for another term on the Cultural Heritage Commission, please. It would be a privilege and an honor to continue to serve the City in that capacity. Thank you very much for forwarding my request to the Council.

Wishing you happiness and good health in 2016!

Rich Waldow

Mrs. Stephen Hiller
702 Walden Drive
Beverly Hills CA 90210-3125

November 14, 2015

Bryan Pope, MMC

City of Beverly Hills
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills CA 90210

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Dear Mr. Pope,

I received your letter regarding my term of office on the Fine Art Commission and would like to confirm that I absolutely would like to continue serving on this Commission. The opportunity to help enhance Beverly Hills as an art destination and as a source of pride and beauty to its residents has been challenging and satisfying, and I would greatly appreciate being reappointed for another term.

Sincerely,



Carolyn Hiller

**SONIA BERMAN
315 N. PALM DR.
BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210
310-278-3445**

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**Byron Pope, MMC
City Clerk
City of Beverly Hills
455 N.Rexford Dr.
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

Dear Byron,

Please accept this letter confirming my interest in being reappointed to another term on the Human Relations Commission. I have truly enjoyed the experience and look forward to hopefully another four years.

Sincerely,



Sonia Berman

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Certified Bankruptcy Law Specialist

Sofya Davtyan
Ori Blumenfeld
Sheila Esmaili

November 20, 2015

Byron Pope
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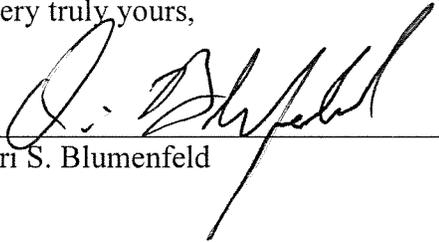
Re: **Commissioner Reappointment to the Human Relations Commission**

Dear Mr. Pope:

I am in receipt of your letter dated November 9, 2015, inquiring as to whether or not I am interested in being reappointed to another term until December 2021.

The experience to date, has been nothing short of amazing. The ability to be presented with an opportunity to effectuate positive lasting change in our community is something that I take seriously, and I take pride in the work that we do for the City. It would be my pleasure to be reappointed for the continuing term.

Very truly yours,



Ori S. Blumenfeld

November 18, 2015

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Byron Pope, MMC

City Clerk

Re: Human Relations Commission

Dear Mr. Pope:

I have thoroughly enjoyed my current stay on the Human Relations Commission and would sincerely appreciate being reappointed to another term of four years until December 2020.

Please notify the City Councilmembers of my desire and interest.

Thank You

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerald Friedman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jerald Friedman

603 walden drive

Beverly Hills, CA 90210

310-550-5923

Karen Popovich Levyn
304 S. Linden Drive
Beverly Hills, California
90212

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Mayor, Julian A Gold M.D.
Vice Mayor, John A . Mirisch
William W. Brien M.D.
Lili Bosse
Nancy H. Krasne

To City Council,

I would be honored to be reappointed to another term on the Human Relations Commission. I have enjoyed my present term as advising on the following programs, Tenant Landlord Public Forum, CAGF Applicant Process, Beverly Ambassador Program and Embrace Civility Award in the city of Beverly Hills.

Thank you for your consideration to allow me to continue to represent the Beverly Hills community on the Human Relations Commission for another term until June 30, 2021. I look forward to the opportunity.

Sincerely,



Karen Popovich Levyn

Byron Pope

From: Joe Shooshani <shooshani90210@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 9:30 AM
To: Byron Pope
Subject: Planning Commission Term

Dear Mr. Byron,

Thank you very much for your letter dated Nov. 9, 2015. I would like to confirmed my interest in renewing my reappointment to Planning Commission position for the term of four year up to June 30, 2020.

Thank you very much and I hope to see you before hand. I hope you may have a wonderful thanksgiving.

Sincerely yours,

- Joe Shooshani

From: Jerry Felsenthal <jfels2000@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 10:28 AM
To: Lourdes Sy-Rodriguez

Dear Lourdes:

Please allow this e-mail to serve as a formal request to be considered for a re-appointment to the Public Works Commission.

Thank you.

Jerry Felsenthal

From: Jake Manaster [mailto:jmanaster1@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 4:39 PM
To: Byron Pope
Subject: Traffic and Parking Commission Appointment Extension

Dear Mr. Pope,

This note will serve as my response to your recent letter to me asking whether I would be interested in serving further on the Traffic & Parking Commission.

I am answering in the affirmative.

Thank you for your kind time and attention to this matter.

Kindly confirm receipt of this note.

Best,

Jacob (Jake) Manaster
(310) 962-2026