



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: June 6, 2016
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Laurence S. Wiener, City Attorney
Subject: Resolution of the Council of the City of Beverly Hills Confirming the Appointment of Kathy Reims As Councilmember to Fill Vacant City Council Seat
Attachments: 1. Resolution

INTRODUCTION

Councilmember William W. Brien resigned as a councilmember effective May 3, 2016. State law provides that if a vacancy occurs in the Council, the Council shall, within 60 days from the commencement of the vacancy, either fill the vacancy by appointment or call a special election to fill the vacancy. The Council conducted interviews and selected Kathy Reims to fill the vacant City Council seat.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember William Brien resigned as a councilmember effective May 3, 2016. Shortly thereafter, the City accepted applications to fill the vacant council seat. After interviewing 24 applicants on May 31, 2016, the Council appointed Kathy Reims to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Councilmember William Brien. Kathy Reims has the experience, leadership skills and talent to capably perform the role as a Beverly Hills councilmember. She has been a resident for 40 years. She is a current member of the Beverly Hills Budget Review Committee, was a former member and chair of the Planning Commission, member and chair of the Traffic and Parking Commission, member of the Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Committee, member of Team Beverly Hills Leadership Program, member of the Friends of Beverly Hills Library, participated in Beverly Hills Meals on Wheels, and served on the El Rodeo PTA.

Kathy Reims appointment as a councilmember will be for the remainder of former Councilmember William Brien's term (i.e., until a new city councilmember is elected at the March 2017 election). Ms. Reims has pledged not to run for city council in the March 2017 election.

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FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of the Resolution.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council adopt the "RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KATHY REIMS AS A COUNCILMEMBER TO FILL VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT."

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Laurence S. Wiener, City Attorney

Attachment 1

RESOLUTION NO. 16-R-_____

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY
HILLS CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KATHY
REIMS AS A COUNCILMEMBER TO FILL VACANT CITY
COUNCIL SEAT

WHEREAS, as a result of the resignation of Councilmember William Brien effective May 3, 2016, the City Council has one vacant seat.

WHEREAS, State law provides that if a vacancy occurs in the Council, the Council shall, within 60 days from the commencement of the vacancy, either fill the vacancy by appointment or call a special election to fill the vacancy. The person selected to fill the vacancy will hold office for the remainder of Councilmember Brien's term.

WHEREAS, after interviewing 24 applicants, the Council has appointed Kathy Reims to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Councilmember William Brien.

WHEREAS, Kathy Reims has the experience, leadership skills and talent to capably perform the role as a Beverly Hills councilmember.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Beverly Hills hereby finds, determines and resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby confirms the appointment of Kathy Reims as a Councilmember to fill the vacant seat caused by the resignation of former Councilmember William Brien.

Section 2. Kathy Reims appointment as a Councilmember will be for the remainder of former Councilmember William Brien's term (i.e., until a new city councilmember is elected at the March 2017 election).

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and shall cause this resolution and his certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the City Council of this City.

Adopted:

JOHN A. MIRISCH
Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:

BYRON POPE
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

MAHDI ALUZRI
City Manager