



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: April 20, 2021
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Huma Ahmed, City Clerk
Subject: Interview Panel Reports for the Traffic and Parking Commission

INTRODUCTION

This report provides information on the panel recommendation for the Traffic and Parking Commission. The interviews were conducted through video conference due to the COVID-19 stay at home orders.

The Traffic and Parking Commission interview panel was composed of Vice Mayor Robert Wunderlich, Councilmember Julian A. Gold, M.D., Traffic and Parking Commission Chair Nooshin Meshkaty and Traffic and Parking Commission Vice Chair Sharon W. Ignarro, M.D. The interview was held on Friday, March 19, 2021. There were six (6) applicants interviewed for two upcoming vacancies, one applicant withdrew and was not interviewed.

The panel recommended Ms. Karen K. Magen and Ms. Hadar Geller for the two positions.

DISCUSSION

After discussion and careful review, the panel recommended the following candidates for City Council consideration:

1. **Karen K. Maghen** (Term begins: January 1, 2022)
Outgoing Commissioner Nooshin Meshkaty (Term ends: December 31, 2021)
2. **Hadar Geller** (Term begins: July 1, 2022)
Outgoing Commissioner Jay Solnit (Term ends: June 30, 2022)

Candidates approved for City Commissions are required to attend their commission meetings leading up to their appointments.

RECOMMENDATION

The interview panel recommends that the City Council appoint the aforementioned commission candidates to the Traffic and Parking Commission. With the concurrence of

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the Council, a formal report will be prepared for adoption at the May 4, 2021 City Council Regular Meeting.

In addition, the candidates are thanked for their thoughtful and compelling answers to the questions posed by the interview panel. The City is fortunate to have an extraordinary applicant pool and the applicants are encouraged to re-apply for upcoming vacancies.

Applicants who have not participated in Team Beverly Hills are urged to apply and complete the resident-based education program when it resumes.

Huma Ahmed,
City Clerk

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