



DATE: September 8, 2020

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Dante Hall, Interim City/District Manager

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF THREE CITIZENS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM TWO BUSINESSES TO EITHER A TWO-YEAR TERM OR THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE LEVEE BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council, by Minute Order:

1. Appoint three residents and two business representatives to the Independent Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee to oversee the use of bond funds raised pursuant to Measure P; and
2. Identify on separate motions for each seat whether they will serve a 2-year or 3-year term.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On June 5, 2018, Foster City voters passed Measure P, authorizing the City to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$90,000,000 to fund improvements to the City's levee system. The bond measure promised voters that the expenditure of bond funds would be subject to citizens' oversight. On December 16, 2019, the City Council adopted bylaws that establish and govern the Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee charged with monitoring Measure P bond proceed expenditures for the Levee Improvements Project. The City Clerk's Office solicited applications for five Committee member positions to be comprised of three Foster City residents and two representatives of Foster City based businesses.

On July 6, 2020, the City Council directed the Interim City Manager to review all applications submitted for appointment to the Levee Bond Oversight Committee and

recommend applicants for the City Council's review and appointment.

**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of the Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for the Levee Improvements Project is to ensure that bond proceeds are expended for their intended purposes. Each year, the Committee would be required to submit to the City Council two (2) written reports, summarizing the Committee's activities and stating whether the expenditures comply with Measure P's requirements.

The Committee is a five-member body comprised of three citizens and representatives from two businesses located in Foster City. In order to phase Committee turnover in future years, the City Council, in its initial appointments, would select two members to serve a term of two years and three members to serve a term of three years.

**ANALYSIS**

By the July 1, 2020 deadline for applications to the Levee Bond Oversight Committee, the City Clerk received fourteen (14) resident applications and two (2) business applications. The applications have been attached to this report for City Council's review (Attachment 3).

All applicants met the general qualification standards to serve as a Levee Bond Oversight Committee member. For enhanced effectiveness, staff recommends that the City Council also consider Committee appointees with skills and experience in the areas of financial management, construction management, civic engagement, and communication. Based on the applications submitted, staff recommends the following residents and business representatives to serve on the Levee Bond Oversight Committee:

<b>RESIDENT MEMBERS</b>	<b>BUSINESS MEMBERS</b>
Robert Fitzgerald	Al De Groot – Gilead
Qing Liu	Krista Dixon – Hudson Pacific Properties
Bob Tessler	

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the proposed action.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 - City Resolution No. 2019-121 Establishing the Levee Bond

Oversight Committee

- Attachment 2 - City Resolution No. 2020-65 Naming Interim City Manager as Designee to Recommend Applicants for Appointment
- Attachment 3 - Levee Bond Oversight Committee Applications