



Item: Appointment, Design Review Board

From: City Manager's Office

Initiated By: City Commission

Presented By: City Commission

Action Requested: Appoint one member to the Design Review Board for a three-year term through March 31, 2016.

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission appoint _____ to the Design Review Board for a three-year term through March 31, 2016.”

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, public comment, and calls the vote.

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Commission appoint one new member to the Design Review Board for a three-year term through March 31, 2016.

Background: Jean Price was appointed to the Design Review Board in February of 2007. Ms. Price resigned from the board in December of 2012.

Purpose

Ordinance 2722 was approved at the March 18, 1997, Commission meeting which amended Titles 2 and 15 of the Official Codes of the City of Great Falls and established the Design Review Board. The adoption of Ord. 2923 in September of 2005, the Land Development Code, re-established the Design Review Board.

The purpose of the Board is to further promote the health, safety and general welfare of the City. The Board has the authority and responsibility to review specified types of development proposals to ensure that the design and aesthetics conform to the review criteria contained in Title 17. The Board's composition should achieve a diversity of expertise, background, and interest. The Land Development Code states it is preferred that the board include two architects and three individuals chosen for their demonstrated interest in and expertise in design or community aesthetics.

Members must reside in the City of Great Falls.

Evaluation and Selection Process

Advertising was done through the local media and posted on the City of Great Falls website.

Continuing members of this board are:

Mary Offerdal Klette
Bruce Forde
Todd Humble
Jule Stuver

Citizens interested in serving on this board include:

Nikole Hinton Duke
Pat M. Goodover II
David Grosse
Tye Habel
Jason Lehmann
Christine L. Phelps

Concurrences: At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2013, the Design Review Board unanimously recommended the appointment of David Grosse. See attached memorandum.

Fiscal Impact: Not applicable.

Attachments: Applications

Recommendation memorandum
Jean Price resignation letter
(Not available online; on file in the City Clerk's Office.)