REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: February 7, 2017

TITLE: Appointment to the Public Safety Commission to Fill

Vacancy for Unexpired Term

Prepared by: Jerryl Soriano, CMC, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify Council Member Anayeli Zavala's appointment to the Public Safety Commission to fill one (1) vacancy consisting of an unexpired term ending January 2018.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Dalinda Erickson resigned from the Public Safety Commission on November 30, 2016 resulting in one (1) vacancy.

| Position | Incumbent | Appointed On | Term Expires | Appointed By |
|--------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Chair | Walt Meyer | January 19, 2016 | January 2018 | Joe McKee |
| Vice-Chair | Lee Eastman | January 19, 2016 | January 2018 | Yvonne Parks |
| Commissioner | VACANT | January 19, 2016 | January 2018 | Anayeli Zavala |
| Commissioner | Donna Lozano | January 19, 2016 | January 2018 | Scott Matas |
| Commissioner | Stephen Kelley | January 19, 2016 | January 2018 | Russell Betts |

APPOINTMENT PROCESS:

Pursuant to Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code ("Municipal Code") Section 2.24.030, if vacancies in any commission occur other than by expiration of term, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Council Member who appointed the Commissioner being replaced – with ratification of such appointment by a majority of the City Council. Accordingly, Council Member Zavala is designated by the Municipal Code to appoint Ms. Erickson's replacement.

Additionally, pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.24.020, the term of the replacement appointment for an interim vacancy is for the "unexpired" term of the member replaced. Therefore, the term of the replacement appointment would end January 2018.

Pursuant to The Maddy Act, set forth in Government Code Section 54970 *et. seq.*, a special vacancy notice shall be posted by the City Clerk not earlier than 20 days before or not later than 20 days after the vacancy occurs. Final appointment shall not be made by the legislative body (City Council) for at least 10 working days after the posting of the Notice. Accordingly, the City Clerk issued a *Notice of Unscheduled Vacancy* (Exhibit 1) on December 7, 2016.

New Applications

The following new applications were received and are attached hereto for consideration for appointment by Council Member Zavala and subsequent ratification by the City Council:

| | Name | Resident | Registered Voter |
|---|-----------------|----------|------------------|
| 1 | Jesus Amezquita | Yes | Yes |
| 2 | Gary Gardner | Yes | Yes |
| 3 | Don Kelley, Sr. | Yes | Yes |
| 4 | Nancy Martinez | Yes | Yes |
| 5 | Ellen Voight | Yes | Yes |

Previous Applicants

The following Applicant had previously applied to serve on the Public Safety Commission and has expressed interest in being considered for the vacant position.

| _ | Name | Resident | Registered Voter |
|---|-------------|----------|------------------|
| 1 | Thomas Moen | Yes | Yes |

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

EXHIBIT(S):

- 1) Notice of Unscheduled Vacancy (PSC), dated December 7, 2016
- 2) Commission Application Jesus Amezquita
- 3) Commission Application Gary Gardner
- 4) Commission Application Don Kelley, Sr.
- 5) Commission Application Nancy Martinez
- 6) Commission Application Thomas Moen
- 7) Commission Application Ellen Voight