

Other Business

Meeting date: September 23, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	September 14, 2009
Subject:	Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) Appointment
District(s), Member(s):	Peggy Leppik – District 6
Policy/Legal Reference:	MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Peter Bell, Council Chair (651.602.1453)
Division/Department:	Chair's Office

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of **Robert Shaffer** to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing District 6.

Background

The district 6 seat on LUAC has become vacant and needs to be filled.

Rationale

The LUAC was established by the Metropolitan Council pursuant to MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853. The committee's purpose is to assist the Council in performing regional land use planning functions and undertake other responsibilities as delegated by the Council or required by law. The committee's advisory duties include rendering advice and assistance regarding metropolitan land use, comprehensive planning, and matters of metropolitan significance.

The LUAC membership consists of at least 16 members plus a chair. As required by statute, membership shall include at least one member from each Council district and provide representation from each metropolitan county. At least half of the members must be elected officials of local governmental units.

When an unscheduled vacancy occurs, the LUAC chair notifies the Council chair, who recommends for appointment a new member to fill the vacated position for the remainder of the term.

The district 6 position on LUAC became vacant in May with the resignation of Don Keysser. In consultation with Metropolitan Council Member Leppik, Chair Bell is recommending the appointment of Robert Shaffer to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing district 6. An architect by profession, Mr. Shaffer currently serves on the Golden Valley City Council and has a long history of public service. If appointed, Mr. Shaffer will complete a term ending January 2011.

Funding - N/A

Known Support / Opposition - N/A