

C Community Development Committee

Executive Summary

Item: 2007-165

Meeting date: May 7, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	May 1, 2007
Subject:	Livable Community Advisory Committee Appointments
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Bylaws of the Livable Communities Advisory Committee (LCAC)
Staff	Guy D. Peterson, Community Development Director, 651.602.1418
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Division/Department:	Livable Communities/Community Development

Proposed Action/Motion

None. This is an information item.

Issues

- Four Livable Communities Advisory Committee members' terms expire on July 1, 2007.
- Staff is seeking applicants for four positions to which members will be appointed to three-year terms.

Overview

In September 2005, the Council adopted revised bylaws for the LCAC that reduced the size of the committee from 16 members and a chair, to 12 members and a chair, and established three-year terms for committee members. The revised bylaws called for staggered terms for the initial group of 12 appointments, so that in the initial group of appointments made under the new bylaws in 2006, four members were appointed to three-year terms, four to two-year terms, and four to one-year terms. The terms of the four members appointed to one-year terms expire on June 30, 2007. Members appointed this year will serve three-year terms. In addition to the 12 Committee members, a 13th person appointed to Chair the committee is recommended by the Council Chair and approved by the Council, and does not serve a specified term. Ruth Grendahl currently serves as the committee chair. The Committee evaluates proposals and makes funding recommendations for the Livable Communities Demonstration Account.

The revised bylaws established six areas of expertise represented by members. The areas of expertise for which there are two members each include: 1) local government planning, economic or community development, 2) development finance (one private finance, one public finance), 3) development (one new development, one redevelopment), 4) transportation and land use, 5) integration of environment in land use, and 6) site design.

Staff is seeking applicants for the four positions open this year, and welcomes suggestions from committee members for any person or persons who would be good candidates in any of the four expertise categories the current members represent. The expertise areas are 1) local government planning and community development, 2) transportation and land use, 3) redevelopment, and 4) site design. Please contact Joanne Barron with suggested names by May 25.

Appointments will be made by choosing among candidates suggested by a number of sources, including Council member suggestions. The four incumbents will be considered, if they are interested in continuing to serve. Chair Bell's recommendations to fill the four positions will be presented to the committee at the June 18 meeting. Appointments, effective July 1, will be made at the June 27 Council meeting.