

Agenda Item Number 7.c

Appointments to the Senior Services Advisory Council

Presenter: Kay Metzger

Action Recommended: Confirm Appointments.

Background:

The Senior Services Advisory Council operates on a July 1 – June 30 yearly cycle. The terms of most members on the council are staggered. The Senior Services Advisory Council Bylaws allow members to serve up to six years. The length of term is three years; therefore members can serve two consecutive terms before “limiting” out.

Appointments to the Senior Services Advisory Council:

1. Membership Needs for 2010-11:

The Bylaws of the Senior Services Advisory Council allow for no fewer than fifteen (15) and no more than twenty-three (23) members. Additionally, the Bylaws allow up to nine (9) Community Representative positions.

Of the seven general members whose terms are expiring, three (3) are interested and eligible for re-appointment. Of the five (5) current 2009-10 Community Representatives, four (4) have expressed interest in appointment to the full SSAC. Given this information and, assuming that the DSAC appoints only one liaison member to the Senior Council, there are four (4) open seats for full membership on the Council on July 1, 2010. Additionally, there are up to nine (9) Community Representative positions open. An evaluation of the current membership reveals that the requirement to have more than 50% of its members over the age of 60 has been met.

2. Recruitment Activities:

At its first meeting, the Nominating Committee recommended several strategies for recruitment, and determined to pursue them immediately. The strategies included sending press releases to the local newspapers, asking Advisory Council members

to actively recruit potential candidates and posting the information throughout the community. Additionally, LCOG Board members were encouraged to refer interested parties. As a result of these recruiting efforts, seven applications for membership were received. The Committee conducted interviews on Thursday May 13th and agreed upon the recommendations outlined below. At the June 8th Senior Services Advisory Council meeting, the recommendations proposed by the Nominating Committee were accepted. The recommendations were then referred to and endorsed by the LCOG Executive Committee at its June 10th meeting. These recommendations are now being referred to the LCOG Board.

Special Note: The SSAC By-Laws call for three year terms. In order to keep proper balance in membership turnover, each term should have up to 7 people. Due to several member resignations over the course of the past few years, the number of SSAC members serving in any given term year is now out of balance, as illustrated below:

- Number of members whose terms expire June 2011 equals three (3)
- Number of members whose terms expire June 2012 equals seven (7).

To remedy this, the SSAC Nominating Committee accepted the following proposal from LCOG staff and have included it within their recommendation:

- The recommendation for members whose terms will expire June 2013 will include the three (3) current members who will be re-appointed to a second term and the four (4) Community Representatives who will be recommended for appointment to full membership.
- In order to rebalance the membership, the four (4) new applicants that are recommended for full membership will be appointed to one year terms (thru June 2011).
- Per the By-laws. These new members can be re-appointed to two full three year terms.
- Remaining successful new candidates will be appointed as Community Representatives.

3. Requested Actions Concerning Appointments to the SSAC:

The LCOG Executive Committee recommends the LCOG Board accept the following nominations for appointment/re-appointment to the Senior Services Advisory Council, effective July 1, 2010:

- A. That the following current Advisory Council members be re-appointed to the

Council for three year terms (ending June 30, 2013):

- Rod Holst (60+; Eugene);
- Dr. Sparky Rice (60+; Eugene);
- Donna Peterson (60+; Eugene);

B. That the following Community Representatives be appointed as full members for three year terms (ending June 30, 2013):

- Diana Jacoby (<60; Eugene);
- Karen Locke (60+; Eugene);
- Marion Esty (60+; Veneta);
- Jonathon Ramey (<60; Junction City)

C. That the following new applicant(s) be appointed to full membership on the Council for a one year term ending June 30, 2011 (Summary of Qualifications attached):

- Shirley Kingsbury (60+; Eugene)
- Rosemary Foster (60+; Springfield)
- Barbara Susman (<60; Eugene)
- Kenneth Viegas (60+; Springfield)

D. That the following new applicant(s) be appointed to a one year term as Community Representative of the Council: (Summary of Qualifications attached):

- Sue Maddron (60+; Eugene)
- Janet O'Bryant (<60; Eugene)
- Paula May (60+; Eugene)