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To: Mayor and City Council  
From: Alison Foulis, City Clerk  
Subject: **Make appointments to various volunteer committees and commissions**

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**Recommended Motion/Item Description**

That the Council make appointments to the various committees and commissions. Suggested motions:

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**Background**

The following committees have members whose terms expire in 2016. A matrix detailing the committee vacancies and applications is included as Attachment 1.

***Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee***

Two Belvedere resident committee members, Cathy Frymier and Peyton Stein, have terms expiring on the Bel-Tib Joint Recreation Committee. Peyton Stein has asked to be reappointed to her position while Cathy Frymier has resigned. To date, no other applications have been received from interested residents.

***Parks and Open Space Committee***

Two committee members, Jeremy Fair and Mary Hofmann, have terms expiring on the Parks and Open Space Committee. Jeremy Fair, who has served on the committee since 2013, has asked to be reappointed to his position. Mary Hofmann is not seeking reappointment as she has served on the committee since prior to 1983 and has reached the recommended 3-term limit per City

Council soft policy. To date, two additional applications have been received from Bryan Kemnitzer and Melissa Feder. Mr. Kemnitzer is unavailable tonight for a brief interview with Council, but would be available at the July 11, 2016, regular City Council meeting. Ms. Feder is also available to interview on July 11<sup>th</sup>. In order to most efficiently fill this vacancy, Council may wish to postpone appointment to the July meeting so that both candidates may be interviewed at once.

#### ***Finance Committee***

Three committee members, Justin Faggioli, George Gness, and John Telischak, have terms expiring on the Finance Committee. They have served on the Committee for 16, 9, and 2 years respectively. There are no recommended term limits for members of the Finance Committee. All three incumbents have asked to be reappointed and there have been no other applications received.

#### ***Marin County Commission on Aging***

The term for the Belvedere representative to the Marin County Commission on Aging currently held by Vera Gertler is set to expire. Ms. Gertler has served as the Belvedere representative since 2007. Although she does not wish to serve another term as representative, Ms. Gertler has also indicated that she does not want the position to remain vacant and would be willing to continue serving temporarily until a new applicant comes forward. To date, no other applications have been received from interested residents.

#### ***Planning Commission***

Three Commissioners, Nena Hart, Marsha Lasky, and Peter Mark, have terms expiring on the Planning Commission. Per City Council adopted soft policy, appointees to the Planning Commission should serve no more than three consecutive 4-year terms before taking a hiatus. Nena Hart was appointed to the Planning Commission in 2008 and has served two terms. Marsha Lasky was appointed in 2012 and has served one term. Peter Mark was appointed in 2015 to fill a vacancy on the Commission. All three incumbents wish to be reappointed. There have been no other applications received.

#### **Recruitment Efforts and Interviews**

Recruitment advertisements for the various committee term expirations were run in *The Ark* throughout May. Information was also posted on the City's website and sent out in the City's monthly e-newsletter. Incumbents eligible to serve another term were contacted in writing regarding whether they would like to be reappointed. All correspondence received regarding the open positions are included in the attachments.

Per established policy, the Council does not require incumbents to interview for their position again. There are two new applicants for the open position on the Parks and Open Space Committee, however because Mr. Kemnitzer is unable to attend tonight's meeting, it is recommended that the interviews for that position be postponed until the July 11, 2016, regular City Council meeting.

**Recommendation**

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**Attachments**

1. Matrix of appointments to be made.
2. Bel-Tib Joint Recreation Committee correspondence.
3. Finance Committee correspondence.
4. Parks and Open Space Committee correspondence.
5. Planning Commission correspondence.

## APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE

<b>BEL-TIB JOINT RECREATION COMMITTEE</b> <b>2-year term: 6/1/2015 – 5/31/2017</b>		<b>Two Seats to Appoint</b>
Incumbent – Not reapplying		Cathy Frymier
Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Peyton Stein
Applicants		<i>None</i>

<b>PARKS &amp; OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE</b> <b>3-year terms: 6/1/2016 – 5/31/2019</b>		<b>Two Seats to Appoint</b>
Incumbent – Not reapplying		Molly Hofmann
Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Jeremy Fair
Applicants		Bryan Kemnitzer
		Melissa Feder

<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> <b>4-year terms: 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2020</b>		<b>Three Seats to Appoint</b>
Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Justin Faggioli
Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		George Gross
Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		John Telischak
Applicants		<i>None</i>

<b>MARIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING</b> <b>3-year terms: 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2019</b>		<b>One Seat to Appoint</b>
Incumbent – Not reapplying ( <i>willing to serve temporarily</i> )		Vera Gertler
Applicants		<i>None</i>

<b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b> <b>4-year terms: 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2020</b>		<b>Three Seats to Appoint</b>
SEAT G - Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Nena Hart
SEAT C - Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Marsha Lasky
SEAT B - Incumbent – Seeking reappointment		Peter Mark
Applicants		<i>None</i>

**ATTACHMENT 2  
TO CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

*BEL-TIB JOINT RECREATION COMMITTEE  
CORRESPONDENCE*

## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** Cathy Frymier  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 24, 2016 11:43 AM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Subject:** Fwd: Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee

Hello Alison,

Sadly, I am going to retract the below statement; I am choosing to step down as a Committee member from the Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee effective immediately . I have enjoyed my time with the Committee and have only positive thoughts towards the Committee and its members. It is for personal reasons; busy lives of children etc. that I have decided to resign from the Committee.

Thanks much,

Cathy Frymier

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Cathy Frymier  
**Subject:** Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee  
**Date:** April 25, 2016 at 2:19:26 PM PDT  
**To:** [afoulis@cityofbelvedere.org](mailto:afoulis@cityofbelvedere.org)

Hello Alison,

Yes, I intend to serve another two - year term for Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee.

Thanks much for your follow up.

Cathy Frymier

## **Alison Foulis - City Clerk**

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**From:** Peyton Z. Stein  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 07, 2016 5:09 PM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Cc:** Cathleen Andreucci - Director  
**Subject:** Joint Recreation Committee

Dear Alison,

Thank you for your letter notifying me that my term on the Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee will be expiring on May 31, 2016.

If the City approves, I would be honored to continue for another term, representing the City of Belvedere on this important Committee.

Please notify me of any responsibilities I have regarding this reappointment.

Best,

Peyton

**Peyton Z. Stein**

**ATTACHMENT 3  
TO CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

*FINANCE COMMITTEE  
CORRESPONDENCE*



## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** Justin Faggioli  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 30, 2016 11:41 AM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Cc:** Mary Neilan - City Manager  
**Subject:** Finance Committee Term

Alison

I received your letter of April 13, 2016 regarding the June 30th expiration of my term on the Finance Committee. If the City staff and Council are amenable, I would very much like to serve another term.

Best Regards,

Justin

Justin Faggioli

## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** George Gnos  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 05, 2016 1:18 PM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Subject:** Belvedere Finance Committee

Hi Alison,

I am responding to your letter of April 13. I would be pleased to serve another term on the Finance Committee if the City Council so determines.

Best regards,

George

George H. Gnos

980 Fifth Avenue, Suite 201

San Rafael, CA. 94901

Telephone: [REDACTED]

Facsimile: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** John Telischak  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 17, 2016 2:54 PM Alison  
**To:** Foulis - City Clerk  
**Cc:** CLAIRE MCAULIFFE  
**Subject:** Belvedere Finance Committee.

Hello Alison,

Thank you for your letter dated April 13. In response to that, I would be interested in serving another four-year term on the Finance Committee. If you need any other information from me, please let me know. I will, however, be out of the country for the next three weeks but if it is important, you can reach me through my office at the contact information listed below. Thank you for the possible opportunity to continue my participation on the Finance Committee.

Regards,  
John

John C. Telischak  
President  
Telischak & Company  
[REDACTED]  
Corte Madera, CA 94925  
[REDACTED]

**ATTACHMENT 4  
TO CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

*PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE  
CORRESPONDENCE*

## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** jeremygfair [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 31, 2016 9:10 AM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Subject:** Application for New Term on Belvedere Parks and Open Space Committee

Please accept this as my application for the Belvedere Parks and Open Space Committee.

Thank You.

Jeremy G. Fair

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June 1, 2016

***VIA EMAIL ONLY***

Claire McAuliffe  
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Belvedere, CA 94920-2336  
[clerk@cityofbelvedere.org](mailto:clerk@cityofbelvedere.org)

**Re: *Parks & Open Space Committee Opening***

Dear Claire,

It is my understanding that there are two openings on the Parks & Open Space Committee and I would like to apply to join the committee.

My wife and I came to Belvedere in 1986, thirty years ago, to raise our family and become members of the community. Nancy has committed a substantial amount of time and energy to Belvedere, particular on the Planning Commission. Although I have participated in some community activity, such as the clean up days, I have not contributed significantly and I believe now would be an appropriate time to join a committee and help.

Belvedere is such a wonderful place, not only because of its geographical location, but because of the amazing number of people who have volunteered over the years to do so much for the community. I would like to be a part of the volunteer committee to help keep Belvedere the wonderful place that it is.

Over the years, we have enjoyed the parks and open space in Belvedere, and it is imperative that the parks and open space remain because they are such a special part of Belvedere. Our daughter Kristin, her husband Adam, and their three month old daughter Mimi now live in Belvedere, and it is important for current and future generations that the parks, lanes, and open space are made available to all.

I have reviewed recent meeting agendas, have spoken with Jerry Fair, the current chair of Parks & Open Space, and have reviewed the City of Belvedere Parks, Recreation, & Open Space map. I would enjoy working with other members of the committee, along with city staff, to address the various issues relating to parks and open space. I would hope that if selected to be on the committee I could assist in identifying projects for Parks & Open Space, review funding issues, and possibly assist in any legal issues regarding easements and encroachments.

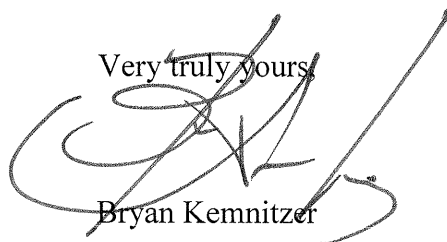
In the past I have been involved in a number of capital campaigns on boards, including Mount Tamalpais School and as head of the Partners Counsel for the National Consumer Law

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Center in Boston. In those positions, I worked very well with the members of the boards, particularly in raising a substantial amount of money; at Mount Tamalpais School we raised over \$4,000,000.00, and at the National Consumer Law Center we raised over \$8,000,000.00. I mention this because, after speaking with Jerry Fair, it is my understanding there are various projects that need to be funded and I would hope that with the other members of the committee we could identify necessary projects and explore issues of funding and maintenance for the long term.

Thank you for considering my request to be appointed to the Belvedere Parks & Open Space Committee. Please feel free to call if you have any questions. My cell phone number is (415) 999-5624.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Bryan Kemnitzer', written over the typed name. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

Bryan Kemnitzer



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81 Belvedere Avenue  
Belvedere, CA 94920  
415-867-8433

Claire McAuliffe  
450 San Rafael Avenue  
Belvedere, CA 94920

June 8, 2016

**RE: Belvedere Parks and Open Spaces Committee**

Dear Mayor McAuliffe,

As a resident of Belvedere for over three years, I am interested in getting involved in the community and joining the Belvedere Parks and Open Spaces Committee. I grew up in Marin County and have a huge appreciation for our beautiful parks and landscapes that remind us of our connection to nature and our communities. One of my key concerns and passions is to maintain that environment and its beauty.

I've studied essential oils with the renowned Aromatherapy expert, Jeanne Rose, here in the Bay Area and have been exposed to many of the medicinal properties of plants, their essential oils and their roles in healthy ecosystems. We are so fortunate in Belvedere, and I'd like to give back by offering time and energy in any ways that would serve our parks and open spaces.

Furthermore, as a small business owner of a retail consulting practice, I am well experienced in collaborating with groups of people to solve problems and achieve a desired outcome. I've worked with large clients (e.g., Levi's, Calvin Klein) and smaller start-ups and outdoor brands (e.g., HUF, Dakine) and across the board much of my experience has been focused on problem solving, solution design and assessment of options for any given environmental fit. I'm looking to apply some of that practical experience to the beautiful environment around us.

Belvedere is doing many things right on the parks and land use front, and I am happy to offer some of my time to any needed projects or tasks. It's a pleasure to live here, and I'm looking forward to giving back.

Thank you for considering me for the committee. Please let me know if there is any other specific information I should provide and feel free to give me a call at 415-867-8433 for any follow-up.

Respectfully,

Melissa Feder



**ATTACHMENT 5  
TO CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

*PLANNING COMMISSION  
CORRESPONDENCE*

## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** Nena Hart  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 17, 2016 1:35 PM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk Planning  
**Subject:** Commission

Dear Mayor and members of the City Council of Belvedere,, At the end of June this year 2016, my term on the Planning Commission expires ..

I would like the Council to consider reappointing me for another four-year term on the Commission if it sees that I in anyway contribute to the Commission in my volunteer position.

My long residency on Belvedere,since 1969, and my many other positions in volunteer projects in our city has definitely shaped my understanding of and love for our very precious and beautiful small city, and the strong belief in the need to carefully and thoughtfully guide the development of our growth and changes to preserve the quality of life all residents aspire to maintain..

Sincerely Yours

Nena Hart

May 10, 2016

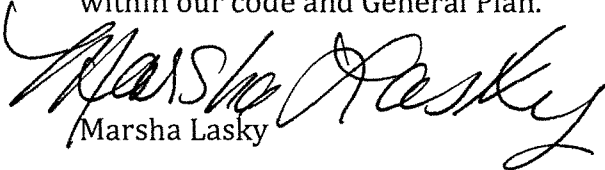
Re: Planning Commission

Dear Mayor McAuliffe,

As my term on the planning Commission expires on June 30 of this year, I would like to renew my term for another four years.

My decisions always reflect the needs of and benefits to Belvedere. Since I have been a resident for over 30 years, I do understand what makes Belvedere so special, and work to keep it's ambience. A great amount of this job is to mediate between sometime conflicting interests.

I try to keep in mind the property owners' interests and the interests of Belvedere, within our code and General Plan.

  
Marsha Lasky

## Alison Foulis - City Clerk

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**From:** Peter Mark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 19, 2016 10:10 AM  
**To:** Alison Foulis - City Clerk  
**Subject:** PC Appointment

Hi Alison,

Thanks for your note.

I would like to be considered for re-appointment to the Belvedere Planning Commission.

Thanks again,

Best,

Peter Mark