
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Pierce Macdonald, Planning Manager
Subject: **General Plan Update Steering Committee Appointments**

Recommended Motion/Item Description

Appoint Maureen Johnson to the General Plan Update Steering Committee as the Planning Commission Alternate.

Background

Cities are required by law to adopt General Plans to provide a framework and basis for land use decisions. The Belvedere City Council adopted a comprehensive update of the Belvedere General Plan in January of 1994. General Plan elements include: Housing, Noise, Circulation (Traffic), Land Use, Open Space and Conservation, and Environmental Hazards (Safety).

On July 9, 2007, the City Council directed staff to recruit volunteers for a General Plan Update Steering Committee. The attached roster includes all of the appointees to the Steering Committee, as well as a proposed alternate member, Planning Commission Vice-Chairman Maureen Johnson.

On February 19, 2008, the Planning Commission unanimously nominated Vice-Chairman Johnson to the General Plan Update Steering Committee. Staff supports the nomination of Vice-Chairman Johnson to the Steering Committee because of her experience on the Planning Commission and her perspective on issues concerning the Belvedere Lagoon neighborhood. Ms. Johnson's appointment would bring the total Steering Committee membership to 13, including the three alternate members (Cromwell, Johnson and Bauer). Staff also believes that it is the City Council's desire to maintain the small size of the Steering Committee by limiting membership to the attached 13 participants.

Recommendation

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Attachments

Proposed General Plan Update Steering Committee Roster.

General Plan Update Steering Committee

Name	Representing:
Jim Allen	Belvedere-Tiburon Chamber of Commerce
Barry Bailey	Historic Preservation Committee
Denise Bauer	BTJRC - Alternate
Martin Cannon	Traffic and Safety Committee
Thomas Cromwell	City Council - Alternate
Sandra Donnell	Parks & Open Space Committee
Vera Gertler	Marin County Commission on Aging
Al Haussener	Bel-Tib Joint Disaster Advisory Committee
Michael Lasky	Planning Commission
Robert McCaskill	Bel-Tib Joint Recreation Committee
Charles Oewel	Rotary / Belvedere-Tiburon Chamber of Commerce
John C. Telischak	City Council
<i>Maureen Johnson</i>	<i>Proposed Planning Commission - Alternate</i>