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Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Ward and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Terri Aliabadi, Acting City Clerk

DATE: May 16, 2006

SUBJECT: Select Members for City's Boards and Commissions

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council **APPOINT** members to the following City Board and Commission seats:

Parking and Public Improvements: Seat No. 5

Parks and Recreation: Seat Nos. 4 & 5

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the recommended action above.

BACKGROUND:

At the City Council meeting of May 2, 2006, Wayne Powell was appointed to the Planning Commission leaving Seat No. 5 on the Parking and Public Improvements Commission vacant; Kathleen Paralusz, was appointed to Parking and Public Improvements Commission leaving Seat No. 4 on the Parks and Recreation Commission vacant; and Portia Cohen was appointed to the Planning Commission leaving Seat No. 5 on the Parks and Recreation Commission vacant.

A notice declaring these vacancies was placed on the city's web site (www.citymb.info) and posted at the Joslyn Community Center, at Manhattan Heights Park, at the Library and on the display board south of the front entrance to City Hall.

DISCUSSION:

Parking & Public Improvements Commission (1 Vacancy)

The Parking & Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council on policy matters pertaining to public parking, Capital Improvement Program review, and activities in the public right-of-way.

The Commission consists of five seats, three (3) Citizen-at-Large Seats and two (2) seats representing the Business Community. The Citizen-at-Large Seats are available to any member of the community, while the Business Community representatives must be owners, employees or officers of businesses located and operating within the City.

Seat No. 5 is a Member At-Large seat soon to be vacant due to Wayne Powell's appointment to the Planning Commission at the City Council meeting of May 2, 2006. Per Ordinance No. 1975, if a vacant seat has 18 months or less remaining in its term, the new member would be appointed to complete the original term of office (expiring May 31, 2007) and then automatically be re-appointed to a three-year term without further ceremony. Following the three-year term, the member would be eligible for re-appointment by the City Council to one more three-year term.

Individuals interested in serving on the Parking and Public Improvements Commission include:

- **Patrick Donahue**
- **James Gill**
- **Paul Gross**
- **Loren Lavi**
- **TJ Morgan**
- **Dierdre Murray**
- **David Pedersen**
- **Lester Silverman**

Parks and Recreation (2 Vacancies)

The Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for the play and recreational needs of all residents. Specifically, the Commission consists of five (5) Member-at-Large seats, one (1) representative nominated by the Manhattan Beach Unified School District (MBUSD), and one (1) Mira Costa High School student.

Seat No. 4 is a Member At-Large seat soon to be vacant due to Kathleen Paralusz's appointment to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission. Per Ordinance No. 1975, if a vacant seat has 18 months or less remaining in its term, the new member would be appointed to complete the original term of office (expiring May 31, 2007) and then automatically be re-appointed to a three-year term without further ceremony. Following the three-year term, the member would be eligible for re-appointment by the City Council to one more three-year term.

Seat No. 5 is a Member At-Large seat soon to be vacant due to Portia Cohen's appointment to the Planning Commission. Per Ordinance 1975, if a vacant seat has more than 18 months remaining in its term, the new member would complete the original term and then seek reappointment via the regular procedures for the next three (3) year term. As such, the new member will be appointed to complete the original term of office (expiring May 31, 2008) and then be eligible for reappointment to one succeeding three-year term.

Individuals interested in serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission include:

- **Paul Gross**
- **Ron Miranda**
- **Dierdre Murray**
- **David Pedersen**
- **Sara Sellers**
- **John "Rocky" Miller**

There are currently no vacancies on the Board of Building Appeals, Cultural Arts Commission, Library Commission or Planning Commission.

CONCLUSION:

All Board and Commission seats appointed tonight will commence on June 1, 2006 and will continue through May 31, 2009.

ALTERNATIVE:

It is also important to note that should an existing Board member or Commissioner be appointed to fill a vacancy on a different Board or Commission, it would become necessary for the City Council to implement the following procedures:

- Declare the vacancy of the open seat;
- Direct the City Clerk's office to post the notice of vacancy; and
- Appoint a member to fill the Board or Commission noticed vacancy at the City Council Meeting of June 6, 2006.