

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** July 26, 2023

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Thru:** Doug Thornley, City Manager

**Subject:** Staff Report (For Possible Action): Discussion and potential reappointment and/or appointment of up to three individuals to the Reno City Planning Commission from the following pool of applicants, listed in alphabetical order: Manny Becerra, Gary Cecil, Nash Emrich, Brad Johnson, Matthew Kaempfe, Audrey Keller, Elliot Malin, Jennifer McCarthy, Jacob Mwanza, Kerry Rohrmeier, Elton "Mac" Rossi, Alex Velto (Reappointment) and/or Jacob Williams.

**From:** Mikki Huntsman, City Clerk

**Department:** City Clerk

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**Summary:**

There are three vacancies on the Reno City Planning Commission (RPC). The City Clerk's Office has received 13 applications from the following: Manny Becerra, Gary Cecil, Nash Emrich, Brad Johnson, Matthew Kaempfe, Audrey Keller, Elliot Malin, Jennifer McCarthy, Jacob Mwanza, Kerry Rohrmeier, Elton "Mac" Rossi, Alex Velto (Reappointment) and Jacob Williams.

The City Manager will discuss the applicants with the Council Members from which the wards and/or Mayoral positions are experiencing a vacancy, and will make a recommendation for appointment, subject to Council approval.

Alex Velto's term (Mayor's appointee) is due to expire on June 30, 2023. Mr. Velto has served one full term on the Commission, is eligible for, and interested in reappointment.

The reappointment/appointment term for all vacant positions is August 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

Economic and Community Development

**Previous Council Action:**

There is no recent Council action relevant to this item.

**Background:**

Resolution No. 7919 (attached to this staff report) provides, in part, that: “NRS 278.040 directs that members of the planning commission are appointed by the chief executive officer of the city, with the approval of the governing body.

Resolution No. 7919 also states, “It is City Council’s intent that there be representatives on the City Planning Commission from each of the five Wards and two from the City at-large (See Section 3). Sec. 3.020(1) of the Reno City Charter designates the City Manager as the Chief Executive and Administrative Officer of the City Government...” Other governing provisions relating to this commission may be located at NRS Chapter 278 and RMC Chapter 18.06.

**Method of Appointment:**

City Manager recommendation with Council ratification.

**Financial Implications:**

None at this time.

**Legal Implications:**

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

**Recommendation:**

Pursuant to Section 5 of Resolution No. 7919, staff recommends that the City Manager, at the direction of the Mayor or Council Member representing the Ward or office experiencing the vacancy, make the necessary reappointment/appointment as noted in the staff report.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move ratify the City Manager’s recommendation to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as the Ward 2 representative to the Reno City Planning Commission.

I move ratify the City Manager’s recommendation to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as the Ward 3 representative to the Reno City Planning Commission.

I move ratify the City Manager’s recommendation to reappoint/appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as the Mayoral representative to the Reno City Planning Commission.

**Attachments:**

- RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION ROSTER

- RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (RESOLUTION 7919), EFFECTIVE 11-20-2013
- BECERRA, MANNY APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)
- CECIL, GARY APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)
- EMRICH, NASH APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 1)
- JOHNSON, BRAD APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 3)
- KAEMPFE, MATTHEW APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 1)
- KELLER, AUDREY APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 2)
- MALIN, ELLIOT APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)
- MCCARTHY, JENNIFER APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 3)
- MWANZA, JACOB APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (SPARKS)
- ROHRMEIER, KERRY APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 1)
- ROSSI, ELTON MAC APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)
- VELTO, ALEX APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)
- WILLIAMS, JACOB APPLICATION FOR RENO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (WARD 5)