

Legislation Text

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## TITLE: Appointments to the Environmental Advisory Board PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to make appointments to the Environmental Advisory Board. DEPARTMENT: Town Clerk

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**INFORMATION:** The Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) is a seven member board. There are five seats eligible for appointment. Applications were received from Christine Schalkoff, Terry Hammersley, Ken Ditzel, Alfonso Blanco, Suzy Khachaturyan, and MariaJulia Echart. The Town Clerk contacted all applicants and they have stated that they are still interested in being considered for appointment and understand the work and commitment needed.

Of note, the applications were previously held for consideration for appointment until the Town Council provided direction on if the Environmental Advisory Board would be continue as currently structured. On June 16, 2020, the Town Council directed staff to bring applications to the June 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting for review. Please keep in mind that it was requested that Council reserve seats for recruitment of persons of color and the resolution shown holds two seats reserved for that purpose. The resolution depicts that the Town Council fill three of the vacant seats, appointing five members of the seven member Board.

An information matrix is attached.

The ballot process for selecting applicants in a virtual setting should follow the steps as shown and approved by the Town Attorney below:

- 1) Town Clerk sends Town Council all applications with instructions on how many seats are available for appointment.
- 2) Council Members will email Town Clerk INDIVIDUALLY (very important not to copy 3 or more Council Members) your selections by 12:00 PM on Tuesday.
- 3) If there is a tie of highest votes, I will then send instructions on remaining candidates and request another vote by 6:30PM. If no tie, move to step 4.
- 4) Town Clerk provides a live announcement of the highest vote receiver during the virtual meeting.
- 5) Town Council appoints by formal motion process.

## FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the Mayor and Town Council make appointments to the EAB.