



MEMORANDUM

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES A. BERGMAN, CITY MANAGER

BY: KELLY WETMORE, DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE AND INFORMATION SERVICES/CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF SELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER STORTON AS MAYOR PRO TEM

DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2019

SUMMARY OF ACTION:

Annual appointment of a Mayor Pro Tem to serve for the next one year period.

IMPACT ON FINANCIAL AND PERSONNEL RESOURCES:

There is no cost or staffing impact from this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the City Council appoint Council Member Storton as the Mayor Pro Tem for the next one-year period, pursuant to Council policy.

BACKGROUND:

The City Council established policy of selecting a Mayor Pro Tem for the coming year is set forth in Section 2.2 of the City Council Handbook, as follows:

2.2 Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

The City Council appoints a Council Member as Mayor Pro Tem to serve the duties of Mayor in his/her absence.

The Mayor Pro Tem shall serve a term of one year.

The appointment of the Mayor Pro Tem takes place at the first meeting in December of each year.

It is the City Council's policy to rotate appointment of the Mayor Pro Tem based upon the seniority of City Council Members that have not yet served in the position of Mayor Pro Tem. City Council Members become eligible to serve as Mayor Pro Tem after serving on the City Council for a period of one year. If two Members of the City Council have the same seniority, the order of rotation will be based upon time served on a City Council appointed Commission and/or Committee prior to being elected to the City Council.

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ANALYSIS OF ISSUES:

Based on the rotation and Council policy regarding time served on a City Council appointed Commission and/or Committee prior to being elected to the City Council, Council Member Storton would be the next in line for the position of Mayor Pro Tem due to his prior service on the Architectural Review Committee.

ADVANTAGES:

The current process provides an orderly and fair procedure for alternating the position of Mayor Pro Tem. The proposed recommendation is consistent with the current policy.

DISADVANTAGES:

No disadvantages have been identified regarding this item.

ALTERNATIVES:

The following alternatives are provided for the Council's consideration:

1. Appoint Council Member Storton as the Mayor Pro Tem for the next one-year period;
2. Do not appoint Council Member Storton and provide staff with direction on modifications to the policy; or
3. Provide staff direction.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

No environmental review is required for this item.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND COMMENTS:

The Agenda was posted in front of City Hall and on the City's website in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2.