



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/30/17
Agenda Item #: C.2
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 11/8/17

Agenda Title: **Reappointment of Chris Foster and Bill Kabeiseman to the Multnomah County Planning Commission**

Requested

Meeting Date: November 30, 2017 **Time Needed:** N/A – Consent Agenda

Department: Community Services **Division:** Land Use Planning

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Presenters:

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Reappoint Chris Foster and Bill Kabeiseman to the Multnomah County Planning Commission for four-year terms.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Multnomah County is required to have a citizen involvement committee that broadly represents the geographic areas of the County. The Planning Commission assists with the development of our land use planning legislative program which addresses rural land use planning issues to meet state requirements and rural planning policies set forth by the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners. There are nine (9) members of the Planning Commission who serve four-year terms. No more than two members of the Commission can be engaged in the same kind of business, trade or profession.

Recruitment for two Planning Commission positions occurred over three weeks in August 2017 including a news release, advertisement on the County's website and notice to interested persons. The recruitment resulted in seven applications. Chris Foster and Bill Kabeiseman, whose four-year terms expired June of 2017, are being recommended for reappointment.

Mr. Foster is a farmer living in western, rural Multnomah County. He has served on the Planning Commission since 1993 and was Vice Chair from 2001 to 2013. Mr. Foster is a dedicated member of the commission who offers a wealth of historical legislative knowledge and his thought provoking questions often help steer deliberations to a point of conclusion. Mr. Foster's cautious and reasoned approach to regulation has helped shape

countless projects over the years.

Mr. Kabeiseman is a land use attorney living in SE Portland who has served on the Planning Commission since 2001. Like Mr. Foster, Mr. Kabeiseman's long tenure on the Commission helps provide historical knowledge of past Planning Commission discussions. Mr. Kabeiseman's expertise as a land use attorney is valuable for a committee charged with making legally defensible recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners and his contributions result in a more efficient legislative process. Mr. Kabeiseman offers a balanced approach to land use regulation, assuring safe communities while also respecting private property rights.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

None

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Public outreach is conducted to find new volunteers for the Planning Commission when vacancies occur. Outreach for this appointment was accomplished with support and input from the County's Public Affairs Office and Board Staff. Outreach included a news releases, a web based announcement and notification to interested parties.

Planning Commission staff contact information is Adam Barber, Senior Planner
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Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Kim Peoples /s/

Date:

Nov. 8, 2017
