

Community Livability and Public Safety Committee

Update on Advisory Committee Recruitment Process

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Recommended Action Committee Recommendation: Not referred to a committee

City Manager Recommendation:

Receive the update on the advisory committee recruitment process. Briefing only; no action requested.

Report

Issue:

Whether to receive an update on the status of the advisory committee recruitment process.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

The Community Livability and Public Safety Committee is responsible for advisory committee recruitment. The regular recruitment process for 2023 began on October 1, 2022 and ran through December 16, 2022. Besides, the previously established advisory committees, the City launched a simultaneous recruitment for the inaugural members of the Cultural Access Program Advisory Committee in November 2022. That recruitment process closed on January 13, 2023.

At the close of the October-December recruitment period, the City received 67 applications for 17 vacancies across seven established Council-appointed advisory boards and commissions. At the close of the November-January recruitment period, the City received 31 applications for the 9 vacant seats on the Cultural Access Program Advisory Committee.

Established Advisory Committees with open seats are currently reviewing their respective applications. The groups will then suggest candidates for the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee to consider for interviews.

Staff will address a recommended timeline for the Cultural Access Advisory Committee application process.

Climate Analysis:

No climate impacts were evident.

Equity Analysis:

The board and commission recruitment process is an opportunity to reduce disparities in participation among marginalized communities in City of Olympia process and decisions.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Residents serve on Advisory Committees to share their opinions and perspectives, study issues, and develop recommendations in a focused small group in order to provide judicious advice from a community member's perspective to the Olympia City Council.

Options:

1. Receive the update on the advisory committee recruitment process.

2. Do not receive the update on the advisory committee recruitment process.

Financial Impact:

To help defray costs (transportation, childcare, etc.) and lower barriers to participation, members of Council-appointed boards and commissions are eligible for a stipend of \$25 per meeting attended. Those who can certify they are low income can receive a stipend of \$50 per meeting attended. Members may also choose to waive receipt of the stipend.

Attachments:

Board Recruitment Process Advisory Committee Cycle