

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title:

Appoint the Dan Zalko, Leslie Hamilton, and Michael Gilliland to the Portland Adjustment Committee for 4-year terms (Report):

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

These appointments will fill the following three positions on the Adjustment Committee as required by Portland City Code Title 33.710.070: Engineering, Financing, Construction, Building Management or Land Development; Public-at-Large; and Urban Design, Architecture or Landscape Architecture.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Appointments to the Adjustment Committee are citizen-volunteer positions, so no revenue or expenses are incurred by these positions.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The Bureau of Development Services advertised the vacant positions through its webpage, and through a media advisory that was broadly circulated in the design, development and neighborhood community news outlets and web pages, as well as to all Portland neighborhood associations and district coalitions. The media advisory was also forwarded to the bureau's mailing lists that are directed to the LGBTQ community, low income organizations, communities of color, immigrant and refugee organizations, disability organizations, and to the Diversity Civic Leadership Program.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.

☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount



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Memorandum

Date: July 12, 2017

To: Mayor Ted Wheeler
Commissioner Chloe Eudaly
Commissioner Nick Fish
Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Commissioner Dan Saltzman

From: Rebecca Esau, Interim Director *RE*
Bureau of Development Services

Re: Recommendation for Appointments to the Adjustment Committee

We are seeking to fill up to three vacancies on the Adjustment Committee. The Adjustment Committee hears appeals of staff decisions made on Type II Adjustment land use reviews. The vacancies are in the following specialties:

- Engineering, Financing, Construction, Building Management or Land Development: One of two positions in this specialty has been vacant since the Committee member moved out of state over a year ago.
- Public-at-Large: One of two positions in this specialty will be vacated on June 30, 2017, when Roger Alfred reaches the end of his second term. (Committee members are allowed to serve a maximum of two terms.)
- Urban Design, Architecture or Landscape Architecture: One of two positions in this specialty will be vacated when Suzanne Zuniga announces her resignation due to professional obligations. She has agreed to stay on the Committee until a replacement is made.

In April of this year, the bureau published a media advisory announcing a search to fill vacancies on the Committee. The media advisory was posted to our website, and sent to the bureau's media list, the Plans Examiner list, to all neighborhood associations and district coalitions, as well as to the bureau's mailing lists that are directed to the LGBTQ community, low income organizations, communities of color, immigrant and refugee organizations, disability organizations, and to the Diversity Civic Leadership Program.

Recommendation

Five individuals submitted applications expressing interest in serving on the Committee, and met the qualifications for the open positions. Land Use Services Manager Douglas Hardy reviewed the Interest Forms and resumes and met with each of the candidates. I am recommending appointing **Dan Zalkow** to the Engineering, Financing, Construction, Building Management or Land Development position; **Leslie Hamilton** to the Public-at-Large position; and **Michael Gilliland** to the Urban Design, Architecture or Landscape Architecture position.

Dan Zalkow has a breadth of experience in the area of land development, both from the land use and planning perspective, and from the building permit application process. He has worked with the current zoning code, and has been an applicant many times with the Bureau of Development Services. He has been before the Design Commission a number of times, so is familiar with what it takes to get through a hearing and the responsibilities of the Commission members. His enthusiasm for what he does and for improving the fabric of the City is evident in his volunteer roles on the PDC and Portland Streetcar boards. Dan's first, 4-year term would be from July 12, 2017 through July 11, 2021.

Leslie Hamilton has an in-depth knowledge of applying and interpreting zoning regulations in multiple municipalities, and has the ability to communicate these both verbally and in writing to diverse audiences in a public hearing setting. She has worked extensively with neighborhood interests on large, sometimes controversial development proposals, and has demonstrated a skill in serving as a bridge between neighborhood activists, government officials and land use applicants. Leslie's first, 4-year term would be from July 12, 2017 through July 11, 2021.

Michael Gilliland has had years of experience working as a landscape architect, and applying that skill to real life projects in his role as a consultant. His work in landscape architecture will compliment the skills of the existing architect on the Committee, Whit Middlecoff. His work as a landscape architect in combination with his past role as a member and chair of the Wilsonville Design Review board will bring both technical knowledge as well as knowledge on how to consider development proposals in a public setting and make definitive decisions that address required approval criteria. To allow for a better transition, Michael's first, 4-year term would be from October 12, 2017 through October 11, 2021.

With these proposed appointments, there are no vacancies on the Adjustment Committee.