# **IMPACT STATEMENT**

Legislation title:	Reappoint David Nilles as member to the Development Review Advisory Committee for an additional 3-year term (Report)
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# Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The Structural Engineering Advisory Committee is a citizen advisory body. It advises the Director of the Bureau of Development Services and/or the Appeals Board in structural engineering matters relative to reasonable interpretation and to alternate materials and methods of construction.

Portland City Code Title 24.10.085 specifies that members of the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee may serve up to two 3-year terms. Although David Nilles has completed two 3-year terms serving on the Structural Engineering Advisory committee, it is recommended that David Nilles be reappointed to one of the vacant position to allow for continuity on the committee as there are no previous members to guide the committee on their proceedings. The other five positions are being filled with new members.

# Financial and budgetary impacts:

This legislation reappoints citizen volunteers to serve on the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee, and will therefore have no budgetary or long-term financial impacts for the Bureau of Development Services (BDS) or the City.

# Community impacts and community involvement:

This legislation will benefit the review and permitting process of the Bureau of Development Services and the construction industry in the use of new innovative methods of design and construction. Each of the members of the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee are all registered structural engineers with several years of experience and several of them served on national, statewide and local structural organizations. Their cutting-edge design experience and knowledge will benefit the development community greatly.

Public notice regarding the vacant Structural Engineering Advisory Committee positions being filled through this legislation was provided in the Structural Engineers of Oregon's newsletter and website. Notice was also provided on Office of Neighborhood Involvement's website and on BDS's website.

The remaining five positions on the Structural Advisory Committee are to be filled with new appointments under a separate Report and there are no vacancies on the committee.

#### 100% Renewable Goal:

This legislation reappoints citizen volunteers to serve on the Structural Advisory Committee, and will therefore have no impact on the City's energy use. This legislation neither contributes to nor detracts from the City's goal of meeting 100 percent of community-wide energy needs with renewable energy by 2050.

#### **Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

#### Does this action change appropriations?

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

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- To: Mayor Ted Wheeler Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Commissioner Nick Fish Commissioner Amanda Fritz Commissioner Dan Saltzman
- From: Rebecca Esau, Director *KE* Bureau of Development Services

Subject: Reappointment to the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee

Portland City Code Title 24.10.085 specifies that members of the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee Structural Engineering Advisory Committee, consisting of six members licensed in Oregon to practice structural engineering, be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council.

Members may be appointed to no more than two consecutive 3-year terms, unless the Director recommends approval of a longer term, and the Mayor and City Council approve the extended appointment.

Currently all members of Structural Advisory Committee have completed serving their two, 3-year terms as of August 31, 2017. This would require appointment of all new members to the committee. This is not desirable as it would not provide the level of continuity desirable for efficient functioning of the committee. Therefore, in accordance with Portland City Code Title 24.10.085 which allows an exception by the BDS Director to recommend approval of a longer term, I am recommending reappointment of one of the members, David Nilles, for an additional term from September 1, 2017 to expire on August 31, 2020. The other five positions are being filled with new members. Going forward we intend to stagger the terms of members so that one-half of the members are new while the other half are completing their second term. This will provide the level of continuity that is desirable on the committee.

**David Nilles** has over 20 years of experience analyzing, designing and detailing new and remodeled industrial, commercial and residential structures. His expertise includes structural model development using various structural analysis software; building code compliance and seismic retrofits and rehabilitations. David has served on the Structural Engineering Advisory committee since 2011.

David Nilles would bring a wealth of expertise and experience to the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee. Many of the emerging technologies and innovations in structural engineering are related to the earthquake safety of our built environment and the rehabilitation of existing structures. Many of the issues the committee has previously addressed fall into this area. David's knowledge of the committee functioning and experience with these issues that have come previously up before the committee, coupled with his in-depth work experience makes him uniquely qualified to guide the new members of the committee and provide expertise in dealing with these issues. I therefore recommend that David Nilles be reappointed for one additional term to serve on the Structural Engineering Advisory Committee.