



# City of Portland, Oregon **Bureau of Development Services** Office of the Director

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#### Memorandum

Date:

March 18, 2020

To:

Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Commissioner Amanda Fritz Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty** 

From:

Rebecca Esau, Director

Bureau of Development Services

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Bureau of Development Services

Re:

Recommendation for Reappointment to the Portland Design Commission

The Portland Design Commission has one upcoming change that needs action. The Portland Design Commission provides leadership and expertise on urban design and architecture and on maintaining and enhancing Portland's historical and architectural heritage. The Portland Design Commission hears Type 3 Land use applications and Type II appeals of proposals within design districts.

### Reappointment 2<sup>nd</sup> Term – Architect

I am recommending that Commissioner Jessica Molinar be reappointed to a second term, March 16, 2020 – March 15, 2024. Jessica's continuation on a second term with the Design Commission comes at critical time given her expertise in the Land Use process, use of Design Guidelines as Approval Criteria, and architectural experience. Jessica is experienced with the Land Use process, and over the past couple years has been particularly astute in utilizing and explaining to applicants how the Design Guidelines apply to their projects, and how best to incorporate them in creative ways. Her reappointment also comes amidst the Design Overlay Zoning Assessment [DOZA] process for which Jessica has been key advisor in both Design Commission briefings and at the Planning and Sustainability Commission. It is through a continuity of her leadership in DOZA and her deep participation and knowledge that will ensure a seamless application of the Assessment into the Amendments and a successful implementation of the new design guidelines.

This type of "leadership by example" is a helpful perspective to maintain on the Design Commission and impress upon future customers of the Land Use process to work with the Commission to complete projects faster and better, minimizing the number of hearings, while yielding high quality compatible designs.

#### Recommendation

Reappoint Jessica Molinar to the Architect position on the Portland Design Commission a second term from March 16, 2020 to March 15, 2024.



## Office of Mayor Ted Wheeler City of Portland

March 18, 2020

As Mayor and Commissioner of Finance & Administration, I request Council confirmation of the following reappointment to the Portland Design Commission.

Reappointment	<b>Membership Category</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Full Term	
Jessica Molinar	Architect	March 16, 2020 through March 15, 2024	

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#### Statement from Jessica Molinar:

As an architecture student with a strong interest in urban design, one of the major qualities that drew me to Portland almost two decades ago was its ability to affect its own urban landscape in positive and lasting ways. Now that I live here, I see that it is committees such as these that often have a greater positive impact on our built environment than any one great building. As an architect and member of the community, my hope is that continuing to serve with this group I can be a part of this positive impact by bringing a unique, diverse perspective to the commission and those it affects. As a mother, I welcome the opportunity to show my daughter that girls can make a meaningful difference to the world around them.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Wheeler Mayor

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# Agenda No. APPOINTMENT REPORT Title

Reappoint Jessica Molinar to the Portland Design Commission for a second term to expire March 15, 2024 (Report)

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Wheeler	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>MAR 1 0 2020</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	/ Mary Hull Caballero
Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler	Auditor of the City of Portland
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
	By:
Position 2/Works - Vacant	Deputy
Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty	1
Position 4/Safety - Eudaly	ACTION TAKEN:
BUREAU/APPROVAL	
Rebecca Esau, Director	MAR 1 8 2020 CONTINUED
Prepared by: Leanne Torgerson Date Prepared: February 28, 2020	
Impact Statement	
Completed Amends Budget	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code. easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan	
Council Meeting Date March 18, 2020	

AGENDA		
TIME CERTAIN  Start time:		
Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		
<u>CONSENT</u> ⊠		
REGULAR Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)		

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Vacant	2. Vacant		
3. Hardesty	3. Hardesty		
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly		
Wheeler	Wheeler		