

Office of Mayor Ted Wheeler City of Portland

April 23, 2020

As Mayor and Commissioner of Finance & Administration, I request Council confirmation of the following reappointment and appointment to the Noise Review Board.

Reappointment Michael Wallace Expire Community-Member-at-Large

Expires June 1, 2023

AppointmentMary SipeExpires June 1, 2023Community Member-at-Large

Michael Wallace Statement

Michael Wallace is retired. His professional career included long-term overseas assignments on projects that strengthened local participation in economic and environmental projects. He is past President of the Arlington Heights Neighborhood Association. He wants to reduce the noise that too often characterizes city life in Portland.

Mary Sipe Statement

In May 2014 I became involved in efforts to revise the City's Noise Code, Title 18 to limit the unnecessary use of the impact hammer pile driver. This led to my being appointed by Commissioner Fritz to a Noise Task Force in September 2015.

My involvement in the pile driving issue has led to establishing the Pearl District Neighborhood Association's Livability & Safety Committee's Noise Sub Committee. Since 2014 I have worked as an advocate with neighbors on various noise issues which impact the livability and safety of our community.

I have helped neighbors understand what types and level of noise is and is not in violation of the Noise Code and helped them through the process of filing Noise Complaints and Appeals to Noise Variance Permits.

I have extensive knowledge and understanding of the City of Portland's Noise Code, Title 18.

I have read many books and publications about noise pollution. I have also researched the noise codes of cities all over the US.

As a member of the Noise Task Force convened by Commissioner Fritz in 2015 I did extensive research and analysis of Title 18 and developed a number of recommendations that would increase revenue and streamline operations of the Noise Control Program.

For many years I have attended the Noise Review Board meetings and given testimony both to the Noise Review Board and to the Portland City Council regarding noise issues throughout the City of Portland.

The <u>Noise Control Act</u> of 1972 established a U.S. national policy to promote an environment for all Americans free from noise that jeopardizes their health and welfare. The City of Portland's Noise Control Program was established to support that objective. The Noise Review Board is unique in providing citizens a direct way to be involved in helping to establish the direction the City is headed in addressing emerging noise problems.

I have applied for the vacant Noise Review Board position as I see it is an opportunity to use my extensive research and understanding of noise issues in the City to help address livability issues related to noise while continuing to support development and community events that can generate unwanted noise.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Wheeler Mayor

419 Agenda No. APPOINTMENT REPORT Title

Appoint Mary Sipe and reappoint Michael Wallace to the Noise Review Board for terms to expire June 1, 2023 (Report)

INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Wheeler	CLERK USE: DATE FILED 5/26/20
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Min Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler n Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Vacant Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty Position 4/Safety - Eudaly BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Office of the Mayor Office of Community & Civic LIfe Office of Community & Civic LIfe Prepared by: Katherine Couch Date Prepared: 4/23/20 Impact Statement Completed 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 6/3/20	Action Taken: June 3, 2020 Confirmed

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