

# City of Portland, Oregon Bureau of Development Services Office of the Director FROM CONCEPT TO CONSTRUCTION

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## Memorandum

Date: June 6, 2018

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

## Re: Recommendation for Appointment to the Portland Adjustment Committee

The Portland Adjustment Committee has a vacancy in the position of Engineering, Finance, Construction, Building Management or Land Development. The Adjustment Committee hears appeals of staff decisions made on Type II Adjustment land use reviews that seek to modify development standards of Title 33 (Planning and Zoning). There are seven members on the Adjustment Committee, and per Zoning Code Section 33.710.030, Committee members are allowed to serve up to a maximum of two, four-year terms. Bureau of Development Services staff have interviewed several candidates who submitted an Interest Form to the Office of Neighborhood Involvement regarding the vacancy.

### Recommendation

Three individuals were interviewed who met the qualifications needed to fill the position of Engineering, Finance, Construction, Building Management or Land Development. Based on the interviews, and a review of the Interest Forms and resumes, I am recommending appointing **Jia-Young Michael Fu** to the vacant position.

Michael is currently employed as an Associate Housing Developer with Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, Inc. (PCRI), one of Portland's core non-profit affordable housing providers and developers. PCRI has over 700 affordable housing units and 150 in development. Michael has focused on the financial underwriting of affordable housing projects with PCRI, and has a knowledge of all aspects of the development process, including entitlements and architectural review, as well as the application of the zoning and building codes. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Cornell University, and a Master of Arts in Economics from Northwestern University. If appointed, Michael's first term would be from June 6, 2018 through June 5, 2022.

With this proposed appointment, there would be no additional vacancies on the Adjustment Committee.





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As Mayor and Commissioner of Finance & Administration, I request Council confirmation of the following appointment to the Adjustment Committee.

Appointments	Membership Category	1 <sup>st</sup> Full Term
Jia-Young Michael Fu	Engineering, Finance,	June 6, 2018 through June 5, 2022
	Construction, Management	
	of Buildings, or Land	
	Development	

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Statement from Jia Young Michael Fu:

"The zoning code and its implementation are essential in determining Portland's built environment. Though the specific issues taken up by the Adjustment Committee in any given appeal are technical and limited in scope, at its core we are discussing how Portland can be a better place for people to live in. I believe my background in commercial real estate and affordable housing lend a unique perspective that would be a helpful addition to the Adjustment Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Wheeler Mayor

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#### Agenda No. APPOINTMENT REPORT Title

Appoint Jia-Young Michael Fu to the Portland Adjustment Committee for a first 4-year term to expire June 5, 2022 (Report)



	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:			
Start time:			YEAS	NAYS
Total amount of time needed:	1. Fritz	1. Fritz	$\sim$	
(for presentation, testimony and discussion)	2. Fish	2. Fish	$\checkmark$	
CONSENT	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	$\checkmark$	
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Total amount of time needed: <u>10 minutes</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	Wheeler	Wheeler		