

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Date: August 30, 2023

In Control: Governance Committee Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Clerk

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Debbie Racca-Sittre

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Recommending the At-Large reappointments to the Zoning Board of Adjustment

SUMMARY:

Consideration of reappointments of John Bonillas, Evelyn Brown, Celencia Hayes, and Razmin Riahi to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a term to expire May 31, 2025.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is comprised of 18 members: 11 District-Appointed Members and seven At-Large Representatives. The seven At-Large Members serve as Alternate Members and attend meetings in the absence of a District Representative.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment holds quasi-judicial public hearings to determine requests made by property owners in the City of San Antonio for special exceptions, variances and appeals of administrative interpretations or decisions, as authorized by State law and local Ordinance related to the enforcement of Chapter 28, Signs and Billboards, and Chapter 35, the Unified Development Code. Members receive \$20.00 per meeting.

On April 19, 2023, the Governance Council Committee interviewed 10 candidates to fill four At-Large Alternate positions to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and forwarded their recommendations for appointment to the full City Council on May 4, 2023.

On May 4, 2023, the City Council approved the appointments of John Bonillas, Evelyn Brown, Celencia Hayes, and Razmin Riahi until May 31, 2023. The Office of the City Clerk and the Development Services Department recommend the reappointments of John Bonillas, Evelyn Brown, Celencia Hayes, and Razmin Riahi until May 31, 2025.

ISSUE:

Zoning Board of Adjustment requires recommendation by the Governance Council Committee and appointments require full City Council approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

ALTERNATIVES:

Governance Committee could choose to seek other applicants and not approve the reappointments which would delay filling the board seats and potentially cause quorum issues.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Office of the City Clerk and the Development Services Department recommend the reappointments of John Bonillas, Evelyn Brown, Celencia Hayes, and Razmin Riahi until May 31, 2025.