

**DEPARTMENT:** Office of the City Clerk

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Districts 1, 5, 6, and 7

**SUBJECT:**

Consideration of Applicants to the Prosper West San Antonio Board of Directors. [Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk]

**SUMMARY:**

The Nominating Committee of the Prosper West San Antonio (PWSA) Board of Directors will review and consider applicants to the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee consists of Councilmembers Teri Castillo, District 5, Councilmember Melissa Cabello Havrda, District 6, and Councilmember Ana Sandoval, District 7.

PWSA is comprised of 18 Members that serve two-year staggered terms of office, as follows:

- Three Residents from Prosper West Target Area
- Two At-Large Citizen Members
- Three Small Business Representatives
- Three University Representatives (St. Mary's, OLLU, UTSA)
- One Edgewood ISD Representative
- One Financial Institution Representative
- One Large Business Representative
- One Non-Profit Business Representative
- One Real Estate Developer Representative
- One SAISD Representative
- One University Health System Representative

Councilmembers from Districts 5, 6 and 7 serve as non-voting Ex-Officio Members and form the Board's Nomination Committee.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Prosper West San Antonio (formerly known as Westside Development Corporation) was established in 2006 for the purpose of supporting the City's community revitalization and economic development efforts within the near West Side of San Antonio. PWSA's current scope of work includes small business retention and attraction; small business technical assistance; PWSA loan program targeting small businesses and entities involved in the revitalization of the West sector of the city; PWSA grant programs; and, the Legacy Corridor Business Alliance program.

An initial Press Release was issued on June 7, 2022 and was followed up by a second Press Release distributed on July 13, 2022 and a final Press Release extending a third search for larger pool of candidates was issued on September 7, 2022 announcing the 18 available seats and a total of 41 applications were received.

**ISSUE:**

Appointments to the Prosper West San Antonio Board of Directors will be recommended by the Nominating Committee which consists of Councilmembers from Council Districts 5, 6, and 7.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Nominating Committee can reject all or some of the applicants. This would require the application process to start over, potentially delaying the work of the PWSA Board of Directors without a full membership.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The nomination recommendations of the PWSA Nomination Committee will be presented to the full City Council for approval at the next available A Session.