

AGENDA ITEM #4

MEETING: Community Health, Environment, & Culture Committee

DATE: October 28, 2021

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Clerk

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Debbie Racca-Sittre

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT: Consideration of Applicants to the Municipal Golf Association – San Antonio Board of Directors

SUMMARY:

Consideration of Applicants to the Municipal Golf Association – San Antonio Board of Directors

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Municipal Golf Association-San Antonio (MGA-SA) Board of Directors consists of fifteen members, seven selected by MGA-SA, six appointed by the City Council, and two ex-officio voting members appointed by the City Manager. The ex-officio members are currently filled by Parks and Recreation Director, Homer Garcia III and Finance Assistant Director, Melanie Keeton. The terms of the six City Council Appointees have expired and are currently serving in holdover status. The announcement for the acceptance of applications for these positions was announced via press release on April 8, 2021. A total of twenty-seven applications were received and at the direction of the Community Health, Environment, & Culture (CHEC) Committee on August 26, 2021, an ad-hoc review committee was formed to review all applications to establish a shortlist of candidates for consideration by the full Committee.

The ad-hoc review committee members included:

Name	Title	Organization
Jalen McKee-Rodriguez	Councilmember	District 2, City of San Antonio
Phyllis Viagran	Councilmember	District 3, City of San Antonio
Homer Garcia III	Director, Parks and Recreation	City of San Antonio
Melanie Keeton	Assistant Director, Finance	City of San Antonio
Andrew Peterson	President & CEO	MGA-SA

The ad-hoc review committee convened on October 5, 2021 and shortlisted a total of 11 candidates for consideration by the CHEC Committee. The following individuals were recommended to be interviewed:

Applicant	Appoint Reappoint	District	Gender	Race	Employer
Gretchen Garceau-Kragh	Reappoint	District 1	Female	White	Self Employed
Samuel Luna, Jr.	Reappoint	District 4	Male	Hispanic	Retired
Javier Paredes	Reappoint	District 1	Male	Hispanic	Munoz and Company
Demonte Alexander	New	District 10	Male	Black	N/A
Jenny Carnes	New	District 10	Female	White	San Antonio Sports
Mary Carriker	New	District 10	Female	White	Retired
Geronimo Guerra	New	District 7	Male	Hispanic	CWA AT&T Labor Union
Gregg Hopkins	New	Nonresident	Male	Black	SA Military Medical Center
Chris Morales	New	District 3	Male	Hispanic	CWA AT&T Labor Union
Errol Sykes	New	District 2	Male	Black	Projectized Solutions
Heather Wedige	New	District 9	Female	White	Rob Myers RIIM Golf Academy

ISSUE:

Board appointments require full City Council approval. Terms are for two (2) years with no term limitations. The recommended appointments will serve for the remainder of unexpired terms of office to expire May 2, 2023.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Council Committee could elect to not make recommendations which would keep the current City appointees in holdover status.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Office of the City Clerk recommends approval of the Council Committee's recommendation for six appointments to the MGA-SA Board of Directors. The recommended appointments will be submitted to the full City Council at the next available City Council Meeting for approval.