



STAFF REPORT

December 14, 2004

TO: City Council via City Manager

FROM: City Clerk

SUBJECT: Seating of Councilmembers Elect

RECOMMENDATION

That the Honorable Burt L. Swift swear in the newly elected Councilmembers Elaine Bernal and Joel Klink.

BACKGROUND

Judge Burt L. Swift, Superior Court Judge, has graciously agreed to administer the Oath of Allegiance to the Councilmembers Elect. Following the administering of the oath, the newly sworn Councilmembers will be seated and their official duties will begin.



STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: City Manager
Date: 12142004

Subject: City Council Selection of Mayor and Mayor ProTem

Recommendation: Receive information; select Mayor and Mayor ProTem

Discussion: The City has traditionally selected the Mayor and Mayor ProTem on the basis of election results from the two most recent elections with the offices rotating on an annual basis through the Councilmembers on the basis of when elected and the preponderance of votes.

Outgoing Councilmembers Bagley and Freshour were elected in the year 2000. Councilmember Bagley served as Mayor for the year 2003 and Freshour for the year 2004.

Under this rotation schedule Councilmember Benton, high vote getter during the election of 2002, served as Mayor ProTem for 2004 and is next in line to serve as Mayor for 2005; Councilmember Cole would be Mayor ProTem for 2005 and as Mayor for 2006. Councilmember Spear would be Mayor ProTem in 2006 and serve as Mayor in 2007 (his term expires in 2006 and his serving as Mayor would be contingent on his running for re-election and the voters continuing him on the Council. Thereafter Councilmember Bernal would serve as Mayor ProTem in 2007 and Mayor in 2008 and Councilmember Klink would serve as Mayor ProTem in 2008 and Mayor in 2009.

The above is the traditional method of the rotation of the Mayorship among the Councilmembers.

Staff recommends that the Council select a Mayor and ProTem from among their body.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-37

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS
RECOGNIZING JIM BAGLEY'S HONORABLE AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Jim Bagley, since 1992, has honorably served the City and Community of Twentynine Palms for three terms on its City Council, and served thrice as Mayor of the City in 1994, 1999 and 2002; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the League of California Cities Board of Directors from 1997 to 2002, served as League of California Cities Desert Mountain Division Vice President in 1995 and President in 1996 and served on the League of California Cities Environmental Quality Committee and Taxation and Revenue Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for San Bernardino County from 1997 to the present, serving terms as Vice Chairman and Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Jim has served on the board of directors of San Bernardino County Associated Governments (SANBAG) since 1995 and has been Vice President and President of SANBAG, also serving as Chair and Vice Chair of the Measure I Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jim served as the Desert Cities representative to Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) from 1995 to 2001; and

WHEREAS, Jim has served as the General Public Member for California on the Bureau of Land Management's Desert District Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the San Bernardino County Planning Commission as the Desert Area Planning Commissioner from 1986 to 1988, on San Bernardino County's Citizens Advisory Committee for the Twentynine Palms General Plan Update of 1986 and on the San Bernardino County Airport Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the Twentynine Palms Water District Board of Directors, as President of the Twentynine Palms Chamber of Commerce, and President and Paul Harris Fellow of the Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, Jim has been a long term member of the Twentynine Palms Historical Society, was the Old School House Museum Chairman from 1991 to 1995; has served as a Hi-Desert Memorial Hospital Foundation Director and is a Friend of Copper Mountain College; and

WHEREAS, Jim has devotedly and determinedly dedicated himself to service of his community and has tirelessly represented the city with distinction and honor as he interfaced with community, county, state and federal government officials and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Twentynine Palms commends Jim Bagley for his commitment and outstanding contributions, and expresses its utmost appreciation to him for his more than twenty years of dedicated service to the Community of Twentynine Palms and his twelve years as a member of the City Council

UNANIMOUSLY, PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Twentynine Palms at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of December, 2004.

Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 04-38

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS
RECOGNIZING GLENN FRESHOUR'S HONORABLE AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Glenn Freshour, has honorably served the City and Community of Twentynine Palms on its City Council; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Freshour has served as Twentynine Palms Mayor, Mayor Pro tem and as Twentynine Palms City Councilman since the year 2000; and

WHEREAS, Glenn has served as Chair and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Morongo Basin Transit Authority; as President, Vice President and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Twentynine Palms Water District from 1996 to 2000; as a member of the Board of the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District; and as a member of the Board of the San Bernardino Flood Control District; and

WHEREAS, Glenn has served as President and a member of the Twentynine Palms Rotary Club; as Trustee, moderator and a member of the Desert Congregational Church; as Vice President of the Twentynine Palms Kiwanis Club; as President of the Parent-Teacher Organization for Twentynine Palms Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Glenn is a member of the California Association of Realtors, Big Brothers of America, Boy Scouts of America, Elks Club, American Field Service, VFW, 29 Palms Rifle and Pistol Club, Hi-Desert Aquatics Swim Team and Twentynine Palms High School Athletic Booster Club; and.

WHEREAS, Glenn enlisted in the US Marine Corps in 1965, served in Vietnam from 1965 to 1970 and retired from the Marine Corps in 1987 as a Master Gunnery Sergeant after 22 years of distinguished service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, Glenn, his wife Peggy, and their children Kimberly and Ryan, have lived in Twentynine Palms since 1986, and since retiring from the Marine Corps, Glenn has been active as a Mortgage Broker/Banker, Investor, and Realtor/Property Manager; and

WHEREAS, Glenn has devotedly and determinedly dedicated himself to service of his community and has tirelessly represented the City with distinction and honor as he interfaced with community, county, state and federal government officials and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Twentynine Palms commends Glenn Freshour for his commitment and outstanding contributions, and expresses its utmost appreciation to him for his 30 years of dedicated public service to our nation and the Community of Twentynine Palms, and for his service as Mayor and member of the City Council.

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Mayor



STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: City Manager
Date: 12142004

Subject: City Council Committee and Agency Liaison Assignments, reorganization

Recommendation: Review Council assignments and appoint Council members to fill various agency seats

Discussion: Members of the City Council are assigned to represent the city and work with various public agencies as board members, members of committees, or delegates. The Council reassigns these posts every two years.

The amount of required participation varies depending on the agency the Councilmember is assigned to. Although attendance is not always convenient, it is important that the City have continuing representation on these boards and committees because much of the work effects the city fiscally, economically, legally and generally. As a consequence most of the appointments have an alternate delegate who attends if the primary representative is not able to do so.

The Council should give some thought to committing to long term (multiyear) participation as a liaison to some of the agencies because of the values of long term networking, and alliances formed, can positively effect the City's grants and revenues. Participation involves travel to the County seat or other cities in San Bernardino, Riverside, Kern and Los Angeles Counties.

SANBAG is the Council of Governments, all cities and county government in San Bernardino County. It meets monthly.

The Desert Mountain Division is our local alliance group within the statewide League of California Cities. It meets monthly.

The Measure I Committee is the Countywide body that allocates the Measure I sales tax to local agencies.. It meets monthly.

The Morongo Basin Transit Authority meets monthly.

The San Bernardino County Flood Control District meets annually or on call of the chair.

The County Solid Waste Task Force and/or Desert/Mountain Joint Powers Integrated Waste Authority meets quarterly or on call of the chair.

The Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District meet monthly or more often depending on business before the District.

Please see attached list of current Council assignments indicating vacancies and meeting times of the various organizations. Most of the appointments require a delegate and an alternate, two for each organization

Council Subcommittees: These are committees formed by the Council on appointment by the Mayor or on request of the City Manager to have Councilmembers work closely with him on focused community issues and formulate recommendations for Council policy. They meet infrequently but as needed.

The City Council's Solid Waste Subcommittee - Cole, Spear

Neighborhood Clean up Committee – Cole, Vacant

Econ Dev Committee – Benton, Vacant,

Circulation Committee – Cole, Spear

Finance Committee – Benton, Vacant

Personnel Committee, Cole, Spear

Chamber of Commerce Liaison (1 only) – Benton, Alternate, City Manager

Child Care Committee – Benton, Cole

COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

effective December 14, 2004

Mayor – Dawn Benton

Mayor Pro Tem – Kevin Cole

Agency

San Bernardino Associated
Governments (SANBAG) 909-884-8276 (Anna)
Board mtg., 1st Wed./month 1 to 1 ½ hrs.
Vacant: The delegate also sits on the Measure I
Committee
Alternate: Kevin Cole

Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District
4th Mon./month @ 10 a.m., ½ to 2 hrs.
Vacant:

Measure I Committee, Desert/Mountain
Board Mtg. 3rd Fri./month 9 a.m. Apple Valley
Vacant: The delegate is also the City delegate to
SANBAG
Alternate: Steve Spear

Suthern California Association of Governments
(SCAG) 213-236-1800 (Sheila)
Board mtg., 1st Thu./month
Vacant:
Alternate: Vacant

Desert/Mountain Division of the League of
California Cities
4th Fri./month 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Vacant:
Alternate: Vacant

Morongo Basin Transit Authority (MBTA)
Board Mtg./ 4th Thu./month 4 p.m. 1 ½ to 2 hrs.
Kevin Cole
Vacant

San Bernardino Co. Flood Control Advisory
Vacant:
Dawn Benton

County Solid Waste Task Force
Dawn Benton

Desert/Mountain Integrated Waste Authority &
Solid Waste Joint Power Authority (JPA)
Meet Quarterly, 2nd Thu., 2hrs. in Victorville
Vacant:
Alternate:



STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: City Manager
Date: 12142004

Subject: City Council Strategic Plan

Recommendation: Pick first date to hold Council Strategic Plan Workshop

Discussion: To develop the strategic plan will require about 24-32 hours of Council workshop time and is best accomplished in blocks of 4 – 6hrs. The workshops are sleeves rolled up exercises. They are energetic and involve much discussion, exchange of ideas and formulation of tactics and strategies to deal with intermediate and long term city issues.

Staff will use the strategic plan to construct the annual budget for the Council's consideration. City work programs, services, projects and other challenges are identified during the sessions and ultimately implementation programs are developed to address Council identified strategic issues. It is an opportunity to identify restraints, constraints, challenges, and to identify the resources available to respond to them. It is also an opportunity to state the Council's overall mission and values and prioritize those issues that will be before the Council for the next several years. A strategic plan can be an invaluable statement of Council policy and provides ongoing guidance to the staff and has a direct impact on the delivery of public services.

The strategic plan can serve the individual Councilmember because it provides an opportunity for numerous issues and agendas to be introduced, ideas shared, prioritized and adopted by the Council as a whole.

Staff requests that the Council select a January date to kick off the process. Please bring your calendars.



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To: City Council via City Manager
From: Community Development Director
Date: December 14, 2004
RE: Planning Commission reappointment/appointment

RECOMMENDATION: Reappoint Commissioners Masterson and Stone or provide staff direction advertise vacancies on the Planning Commission.

BACKGROUND: Section 19.02.100 of the Development Code establishes the Planning Commission as the planning agency for the City and sets forth the membership, powers, and duties of the Planning Commission. Per subsection 19.02.100 (A), the Planning Commission shall consist of five (5) members who serve at the pleasure of the City Council. The subsection also states that, "The Planning Commission shall represent differing segments of the community. The members of the Commission shall be residents of the City and shall be registered voters. Planning Commissioner's may, at the discretion of the City Council, be reappointed to subsequent terms of office upon the expiration of their term."

Attachments

- Letter of interest from John Masterson
- Letter of interest from Irving Stone

Per the Code, Commissioners are appointed to four-year terms and the terms are staggered, with three terms expiring in December following a three-person City Council election and two terms expiring in December following a two-person City Council election. In December 2002, when the four-year terms were established (previously it was two-years), Council determined by random drawing who would serve partial terms (expiring December 2004) and who would have full, four-year terms. Based on the results of the drawing, Commissioners Stone and Masterson were to serve two-year terms. Therefore, their terms expire this month. The terms of Commissioners Caplinger, Mintz and Rinke continue through December of 2006.

Both Commissioner Stone and Masterson have indicated their interest in being reappointed. Accordingly, Council may reappoint them to four-year terms. Reappointment can be accomplished by minute action of the Council.

Alternatively, Council could conduct interviews and select replacement Commissioners. In this event, Council could direct staff to advertise the positions as vacant and select a two-person subcommittee to review applications. The subcommittee could review the applications and report back to the Council with a recommendation at the January 11 or January 25, 2005 Council meeting.