



Item No. 17 Town of Atherton

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT – REGULAR AGENDA

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
GEORGE RODERICKS, CITY MANAGER**

FROM: ANTHONY SUBER, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER / CITY CLERK

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2021

SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL SELECTION OF A VICE MAYOR

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the City Council Handbook Section 3.6 and Atherton Municipal Code Section 2.04.030, selection of Vice Mayor.

BACKGROUND | ANALYSIS

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 528 amending Atherton Municipal Code Section 2.04.030 related to the appointment of the Mayor and Vice Mayor. As a result of the resignation of Council Member and Vice Mayor Michael Lempres the Council may select a replacement to fulfill his remaining term as Vice Mayor.

The Council will perform a City Council Reorganization at the December 15, 2021, Regular Council meeting to select a Mayor and Vice Mayor for the 2022 calendar year. The Council may also opt to *not* select a Vice Mayor at this time and operate without a Vice Mayor until reorganization occurs in December 2021. Should the Council wish to select a Vice Mayor to serve until December 2021, the following process would apply.

Nomination Process – Selection of Vice Mayor

The City Clerk shall declare the office of Vice Mayor vacant and ask for nominations for the position of Vice Mayor.

Any Council Member may nominate someone other than herself or himself for the position. Nominations do not require a second. When it appears that no further nominations will be made, the City Clerk shall announce that the nominations are closed. If only one Council member has been nominated, the City Clerk shall call for a vote on the nomination. The nominated Council Member must receive three affirmative votes to be selected as Vice Mayor.

If more than one Council Member has been nominated, the City Clerk shall call for a vote of the first person nominated. If that candidate receives three or more votes, the City Clerk shall declare

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that candidate selected as Vice Mayor and the voting concludes. If not, the City Clerk shall call for a vote for the second candidate in the same manner. The candidate receiving three or more votes shall be declared the Vice Mayor.

POLICY FOCUS

The recommendations in this report are consistent with Atherton Municipal Code Section 2.04.030 and the City Council Handbook Section 3.6.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

GOAL ALIGHMENT

This report and its contents are in alignment with the following Council Policy Goals:

- Goal E – Strengthen Community Engagement and Transparency
- Goal F – Be Forward-Thinking, Well-Managed, and Well-Planned

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with this agenda item being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting in print and electronically. Information about the project is also disseminated via the Town’s electronic News Flash and Atherton Online. There are approximately 1,400 subscribers to the Town’s electronic News Flash publications. Subscribers include residents as well as stakeholders – to include, but be not limited to, media outlets, school districts, Menlo Park Fire District, service provides (water, power, and sewer), and regional elected officials.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE FEEDBACK/REFERRAL

This item ___ has or X has not been before a Town Committee or Commission.

- ___ Audit/Finance Committee (meets every other month)
- ___ Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee (meets as needed)
- ___ Civic Center Advisory Committee (meets as needed)
- ___ Environmental Programs Committee (meets every other month)
- ___ Park and Recreation Committee (meets each month)
- ___ Planning Commission (meets each month)
- ___ Rail Committee (meets every other month)
- ___ Transportation Committee (meets every other month)

ATTACHMENTS

None.