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Agenda Item No G-1
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**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CITY OF IMPERIAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

1. APPROVE APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT AMPARANO.
2. APPROVE APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDED BY KATIE BURNWORTH.

DEPARTMENT INVOLVED: CITY COUNCIL

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Per City Ordinance, City Council members elected in even numbered years, appoint Planning Commissioners to serve a four-year term beginning in the next fiscal year. The city of Imperial has a five-member Planning Commission. The expired terms are the seats currently occupied by Andie Guillen and Kris Haugh. (recently vacated due to move out of state).
 The city advertised a notice accepting applications from individuals interested in being appointed to the commission. The City Clerk received applications from six individuals interested in serving. It is a requirement that the appointee be a registered voter and resident of the city of Imperial. Upon verification with the County Registrar of Voters office, all applicants are registered to vote in the city.

FISCAL IMPACT: FINANCE 15
 Commissioners are compensated \$50.00 per meeting attended, not to exceed \$150.00/month.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: .

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: approve recommended appointments MANAGER'S INITIAL DKM

MOTION:

SECONDED: APPROVED () REJECTED ()
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PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION

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Name Jorge R. Reyes Tel.# _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Imperial, CA 92251

New Appointment Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 6

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? YES NO

Are you presently employed? YES NO

Employer/Position: Spreckels Sugar Company // HR Manager

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation?

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES NO

If yes, which city and when: _____

Position: _____

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

I have a graduate degree in Human Resources and I have been working in Imperial Valley for 20 years. I believe my experience and education can benefit the Planning Commission.

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

I see the main goal of the planning commission is to enforce Imperial City ordinances and to ensure the City grows in an efficient and orderly manner.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

I would help the planning commission by providing my experience of living in the community and my experience as HR professional as reviewing and interpreting laws and policies.

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

I do not have any family members working or doing business with the City of Imperial.

Disclosure and Regulatory Requirements

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Name Daniel H. Sohn Tel.# _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Imperial, CA 92251

New Appointment Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 4 Months

Do you own property in the City? _____ YES NO

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? YES _____ NO

Are you presently employed? YES _____ NO

Employer/Position: El Centro Chamber of Commerce/ Chief Executive Officer

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation?

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES _____ NO

If yes, which city and when: Town of Haverhill, FL

Position: City Councilman

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

While serving as a City Councilmember, I was appointed to serve on the Florida League of Cities Land Use & Economic Development Policy Committee. This committee helped drive public policy around state land use laws and local zoning ordinances. I believe my experience on this committee and my understanding of municipal government compliment each other and will be an asset to the City of Imperial. Additionally, I have previously served on the Planning & Zoning Commission for another City in Florida.

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

To advise voting members of the City Council on appropriate paths forward for zoning and land use requests from the public. Additionally, it is my belief that the role of the Planning Commission should require the commitment to be good stewards of the public trust and City Charter.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

I bring both professional and personal knowledge of the planning process. Adding this experience to the existing team of planning board members will help achieve the planning board/city council's planning goals.

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

Not at this time.

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Daniel H. Sohn

Experienced Governmental & Non Profit Executive

An experienced governmental and nonprofit leader with a firm ability to leverage relationships, experience, and professional knowledge of the national, state, and local legislative process. An active nonprofit executive with the ability to cultivate support towards community development and engagement. Private and public portfolio of acquired funding, grants, and governmental appropriations for local and statewide community organizations.



Experience

- Mar 2021 - present**
Chief Executive Officer
El Centro Chamber of Commerce
Assure that the chambers current and long-range goals to achieve business and community needs are met. Responsible for management of the day to day operations of the chamber. Implement a marketing plan for the chamber to assure a positive community image.
- Jul 2017 - present**
Managing Director
Floridian Group, LLC.
Developing and implementing strategic plans and company policies, maintaining an open dialogue with stakeholders, and driving firms success.
- May 2020 - Nov 2020**
Community Partnerships & Governmental Affairs Consultant
Eat Better Live Better, Inc.
Responsible for supporting and coordinating the organization's community activities while providing direction for programs, including advocacy and political ethics compliance. Responsible for serving as the organization's representative at the state and local levels to achieve the organization's legislative goals and priorities. Serve as the lead point of contact to support the organization's larger strategic plan for building a continuum of engagement in the community-at-large.
- Mar 2018 - Mar 2020**
City Commissioner
Town of Haverhill
Elected by voters to develop and enact municipal policies and ordinances to create positive change in existing laws or draft new legislation specific to the community, people, and public stakeholders.
- Sep 2017 - Sep 2018**
Director of Grants & Partnerships
Farm Share, Inc.
Responsible for the overall management of organizations grant-funded programs and for grant writing to support the strategic priorities of the organization. Duties included grant writing, managing grant evaluation, oversight of all grant contractual, fiscal, and program documentation, including site visits and monitoring; overseeing timely use of grant funds.
- Feb 2015 - Sep 2016**
Interim Executive Director
ECO Council- Council of Environmental and Conservation Organizations.
Work closely with the board of directors and committees, informing, assessing, and addressing issues that affect the organization while leading the organization's efforts to hire a full-time executive officer.
- Apr 2012 - Feb 2015**
Executive Director/CEO
South Florida Nonprofit Chamber of Commerce
Responsible for overseeing the daily administration, programs, and strategic plan of the organization. Other key duties include fundraising, marketing, and community outreach.



Education

- Jan 2021**
U.S. Institute of Diplomacy & Human Rights
• Certified Human Rights Consultant
- Jun 2021**
University of South Florida
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Certificate
- Oct 2018**
Florida State University
• John Scott Dailey Florida Institute of Government, IEMO Certificate
- May 2012**
Broward College
• Bachelor of Applied Science — Supervision & Management



Boards and Committees

- 2021** Advisory Board Member, Imperial Valley LGBT Resource Center
- 2020** Board of Directors, Hollywood LGBTQ+ Council
- 2020** Commission Appointed Board Member City of Dania Beach, FL: Planning & Zoning Board
- 2020** Commission Appointed Advisor, City of Dania Beach, FL: Complete Count Advisory Committee
- 2019** Committee Member, Women's Foundation of Florida: Elected Officials Advisory Board
- 2018** Policy Committee Member, Florida League of Cities: Land Use & Economic Development Committee
- 2001** Governance Board Member, One Community Partnership- Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)



Personal Info

Address
Imperial County, CA

Phone

E-mail



Skills

Legislative Strategist
Effective Municipal Elected Official
Experienced Grant Writer
Experienced in Microsoft Office including Publisher/ Excel
Strong Public Speaking Presence
Expert Event Facilitator
Strong Writing Ability
Effective Communicator
Strong Organizational Leadership Experience
Team Player
Positive Relationships with Media



Awards

Nov 2019
"Legislative Rising Star" Award, Democratic Women's Club of Florida

May 2010
"Exceptional People Impacting the Community (EPIC)" Award, Mental Health Association of Broward County

May 2009
Proclamation Honoring Daniel Sohn, Florida Senator Nan H. Rich

May 2008
"Daniel Sohn Appreciation Day" Proclamation, Board of Broward County Commissioners

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Name Andrea Guillen Tel: _____

Address _____ E-mail _____
Imperial, CA 92251

_____ New Appointment Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 10

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? YES _____ NO

Are you presently employed? YES _____ NO

Employer/Position: Imperial Irrigation District / Compliance Administrator

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation?
N/A

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES _____ NO

If yes, which city and when: City of Imperial (Current Commissioner)

Position: Planning Commission

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

I wish to continue to serve on the Planning Commission to continue to develop and establish a great city. Over my last term, I have gained a great deal of knowledge and would love to continue to gain knowledge.

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

To help develop a vision for future development in the City of Imperial, which shall encompass establishing community development objectives, outlining planning strategies, and to assist in the research of growth and development.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

I would work with city staff, elected officials, commissioners and residents.

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

None.

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Name Ruben E. Rivera Tel. # _____

Address _____ IMPERIAL, CA. 92251 E-mail _____

New Appointment Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 11 YEARS

Do you own property in the City? YES NO

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? YES NO

Are you presently employed? YES NO

Employer/Position: GED SECURITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE DISCIPLINARY HEARING OFFICIAL

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation? N/A

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES NO

If yes, which city and when: N/A

Position: N/A

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

TO BECOME MORE PROACTIVE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY THAT I HAVE CALLED HOME FOR OVER 10 YEARS
REPRESENT / SERVE THE COMMUNITY IN COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS THAT CONTINUE TO PROMOTE
AND IMPROVE THE CITY OF IMPERIAL INTO THE FUTURE.

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

REPRESENT THE CITIZENS, DEVELOP PLANS, IMPLEMENT POLICIES THAT AFFECT
THE COMMUNITY AND MANAGES CHANGES, GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT COHESIVELY
AMONGST ALL STAKE-HOLDERS. MUNICIPAL, PRIVATE, BUSINESS.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, SET BENCH, BUILDING COHESIVE COMMUNICATION
WORKING RELATIONSHIPS, UNDERSTANDING, HARD WORK, PLANNING

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

NO

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Name Charles L. Jernigan

Tel.# _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Imperial, Ca. 92251

New Appointment

Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 30+ years

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? YES NO

Are you presently employed? YES NO

Employer/Position: Central Valley Cemetery District Superintendent

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation?

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES NO

If yes, which city and when: _____

Position: _____

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

I have a Masters Degree in Public Administration, I have been a member of 4 Board of Directors/Trustees. My experience and education lends to intelligent planning for growth and expansion within the current and future needs.

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

To develop and provide input criteria for current, future growth and expansion projects for the City of Imperial in an intelligent and progressive manner.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

Assure that all projects submitted to the Planning Commission for review and consideration are in compliance with City Ordinances, the Cities Master Plan and achieve stable yet progressive growth, in consideration of the current and future infrastructures the City provides.

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

No

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Name ALICE M. ABATT, Tel.#

Address IMPERIAL CA 92251 E-mail

X New Appointment Reappointment

How many years have you lived in Imperial? 18 yrs

Do you own property in the City? X YES NO

Are you a registered City of Imperial voter? X YES NO

Are you presently employed? X YES NO

Employer/Position: Self Employed

If you are retired, what was your previous occupation?

Have you served on a city commission or committee before? YES X NO

If yes, which city and when:

Position:

Summarize why you wish to serve on the Planning Commission, include any special qualifications or education which are particularly appropriate to the position of Planning Commissioner.

Education + Professions: LAW/ ATTY; Accounty / CPA;
Business woman; Business Advice / consultant to
Ag Entities

What do you see as the objectives and goals of the commission?

To approve projects that benefit All ^{City of} Impoverished Residents
and Businesses in a mutually beneficial manner.

How would you help to achieve these objectives and goals?

Cost / Benefit Analysis; List + weigh the pros / cons presented by
vested / interest parties.

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest? (Please explain)

None

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