

Regional Board Report

TO: Regional Board

FROM: Todd Cashin

Director of Community Services

DATE: November 14, 2019

SUBJECT: Advisory Commission Appointments

(File: 0540-20)

Voting Entitlement: All Directors – Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority – LGA 208.1

Purpose: To consider the appointment of members to the Central Okanagan West

Advisory Planning Commission.

Executive Summary:

The Central Okanagan West Advisory Planning Commission (APC) functions as an Advisory Planning Commission to the Regional Board. All members are volunteers and appointed by the Regional Board.

In accord with Bylaw No. 1229, membership of the APC shall consist of three to eight voting members. The APC would benefit from additional members, reflecting a diverse background and interests.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Regional Board approve the appointment of Dave Cousins and Barb Hayden as members to the Regional District Central Okanagan West Advisory Planning Commission for four-year terms (November 2019 – November 2023).

Respectfully Submitted:

Todd Cashin

Director of Community Services

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Approved for Board Consideration

Marilyn Rilkoff, Deputy CAO

Implications of Recommendation:

Strategic Plan: Appointing new members to the APC supports the 2019-2022 Strategic

Priorities Plan with respect to Sustainable Communities and

Environment.

Policy: Appointing new members to the APC complies with policies and

objectives of:

RDCO Official Community Plans and Joe Rich Rural Land Use

Bylaw, and

Central Okanagan Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw No. 1229

Legal/Statutory Authority: Authority to appoint new members to the APC is subject to the provisions

found in Section 461 of the Local Government Act.

Central Okanagan West Advisory Planning Commission Background:

History:

The APC is an Advisory Commission of the Regional Board. The mandate of the APC is to provide the Board and staff advice on local and regional policy changes with an emphasis on how those issues might impact the community. The APC advises on land use issues, the preparation and adoption of official community plans and proposed bylaws or permits.

Current:

There are currently four volunteer members of the Central Okanagan West APC and staff is in receipt of applications for new members. The Electoral Area Director has indicated support for the proposed members, whose appointments would bring the Commission to six volunteers in accordance with the Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw No. 1229. Planning staff is recommending the appointment of two Commission members.

The following proposed appointments will bring diversity and knowledge that will be of great value to the APC:

- Dave Cousins of Central Okanagan West Electoral Area is a retired educator and has
 resided in the Central Okanagan his entire life. Over the years he has volunteered for
 Nature Trust BC, Tim Horton's Midget Hockey Tournament, coached many youth sports,
 and is a Past-President of Wilson's Landing Community Society. Dave's
 accomplishments, interests and past experience will be valuable to the Commission.
 Dave has strong interpersonal skills, cares greatly for the community and would like to
 have a positive impact on its future for generations to come.
- Barb Hayden of Central Okanagan West Electoral Area has worked in the health sector for many years in varying capacities and has participated in many local volunteer-driven organizations including Friends of South Slopes Society, Girl Guides, and Back Country Horsemen of BC. She has extensive knowledge of Trepanier as well as surrounding areas and has an interest in protecting the environment and ensuring that infrastructure is sustainable for the population that it is serves. In addition to participating in various volunteer organizations, Barb is committed to the community by doing regular garbage clean up in the Trepanier area and organizing garbage clean up parties.

Alternative Recommendation:

THAT the Regional Board not appoint new Regional District Central Okanagan West Advisory Planning Commission members at this time.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

- General
- Organizational Issues
- Financial Considerations
- External Implications

Attachment(s):

N/A