



# City of Sunnyvale

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### **REPORT TO COUNCIL**

#### **SUBJECT**

Cast Vote as Member City for the League of California Cities Peninsula Division 2016 Election of Officers

#### **BACKGROUND**

Each year the League of California Cities (LCC) Peninsula Division (Division) holds an election of Division Officers at the LCC annual conference. Any incorporated city in the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara is eligible for membership in the Division. A Division member city is represented by its municipal officers. Each member city is entitled to one vote for each position.

#### **EXISTING POLICY**

**Council Policy 7.3.1 Legislative Management - Goals and Policies Goal 7.3C:** Participate in intergovernmental activities, including national, state, and regional groups, as a means to represent the City's interests, influence policy and legislation, and enhance awareness.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

N/A

#### **DISCUSSION**

Staff is presenting this report with the proposed slate of candidates for Division officer positions for Council consideration in casting its one vote for each position as a member city. For reference, Council may review the *Peninsula Division 2015-2016 Officers Ballot* (Attachment 1). The Division has several functions, including:

- To conduct periodic meetings of city officials to discuss municipal problems, opportunities and legislative / governmental issues;
- To share knowledge relating to municipal government by all appropriate means and to increase interest and involvement among city officials;
- To assist the officials of the League of California Cities in formulating policies and rendering service by expressing to said League by duly adopted resolutions the recommendations of this Division; and
- To assist the representatives of the League of California Cities in formulating policies with respect to legislative matters, promoting sound legislation and opposing measures not viewed to be in the best interests of the cities.

The City may vote for ONE candidate in each officer position as stated in the *bylaws of the Peninsula Division, League of California Cities, Article III, Section 3*, as follows:

*“The membership of the Division shall be represented therein by the municipal officers of member cities. Active participation in the deliberations of the Division and voting on any question shall be confined to member municipalities. The representatives of each member city shall collectively cast one vote. Votes cast on questions affecting municipal policy reflect the opinion of the Division, and do not commit individual cities to the decision.”*

The proposed candidates are as follows, and their biographies are included for reference in Attachment 2:

- President: Liz Kniss, Councilmember, Palo Alto
- Vice President: Alicia Aguirre, Council Member, Redwood City
- Secretary-Treasurer: Marilyn Librers, Councilmember, Morgan Hill
- Board Director (Two-Year Term): Kirsten Keith, Council Member, Menlo Park

At-Large - Vote for One Candidate for Each County:

- San Mateo County: Larry Moody, Councilmember, East Palo Alto
- Santa Clara County: Jim Davis, Councilmember, Sunnyvale

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact related to this report.

### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Community Center and Department of Public Safety; and by making the agenda and report available at the Sunnyvale Public Library, the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's website.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

1. Vote for one candidate in each position.
2. Other action as recommended by Council.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Alternative 1: Vote for one candidate in each position.

The Division role in assisting the LCC officials in formulating policies is important. It is also a key method towards ensuring that the City's position on legislative matters is communicated. Local area representation on this body should be a priority in the City's intergovernmental and advocacy efforts.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. LCC Peninsula Division 2015-2016 Executive Committee Officers Ballot
2. Candidate Biographies for the 2015-2016 LCC Peninsula Division Executive Committee