



City Council Agenda Report
January 21, 2025

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: Jesus M. Gomez, City Manager

BY: Theresa Devoy, City Clerk

SUBJECT: ADVISORY BODY APPOINTMENTS

Background:

With the exception of the Planning Commission (which is commensurate with the appointing Councilmember's term) and five members of the Art in Public Places Commission (which is established in the Norwalk Municipal Code), Advisory Body terms are for two years following a City election. Advisory Body terms are from January 1, of odd years to December 31, of even years.

As of December 31, 2024, all positions have expired. However, the Advisory Body resolution extends the terms for 90-days to allow for meetings to continue until City Council re-appoints or makes new appointments to all the Advisory Bodies. At the end of the 90 days, any positions that have not been filled through re-appointment or new appointment, will become vacant. The required notice has been posted which allows for City Council to make appointments beginning this evening.

There are vacancies on several Advisory Bodies: Art in Public Places (4), Community Promotion (1), Historical Heritage (5), International Friendship Commission (3), Public Safety (1), Social Services (2), and the Youth Commission (all 15). The Youth Commission does not have any members at this time. The age range for the Youth Commission is between 13 to 18 years of age. Each City Councilmember has three appointments.

Two of the vacancies on the Art in Public Places Committee are appointed based on Norwalk Municipal Code §15.44.060, and require consensus of the entire City Council. Any Councilmember may nominate an individual who falls into one of the two categories: Business/Community College Representative and at-large Community Representative.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Citizens Advised:

Citizens are notified of Advisory Body vacancies through posting of vacancy notices and the Advisory Body term list, both of which are posted on the City's website and at City Hall.

Strategic Plan 2023 Implementation:

N/A

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends City Council either re-appoint or make new appointments for all the Advisory Bodies for two-year terms expiring on December 31, 2026.

Attachments:

Advisory Body List