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DATE: January 17, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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VIA: Gregory S. Shaffer, County Manager
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REF.: Planning Commission Appointments

SUMMARY:

Chapter 3 of the SLDC gives the BCC the authority to appoint members of the Planning Commission. Section 3.3.3.1 states: "The Planning Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, appointed by the Board. Planning Commission Members shall be registered voters of the County. One member shall reside in each of the Commission Districts in order to provide diversity of representation; the remaining members shall be at large and may reside in any area of the County and be nominated by any Commissioner." Staff is requesting that the BCC nominate and appoint one member representing District 1, District 3, District 4 and District 5. The term of these members of the Planning Commission shall be for two (2) years expiring in January 2027. (Exhibit A).

In December of 2024, the County sent out two (2) press release seeking interested members of the general public to serve on the Planning Commission for Districts 1, 3, 4, and 5. We received inquiries from three (3) candidates in District 1 with one (1) withdrawing from consideration. District 3 has had no candidates inquire about the position therefore the current member will extend their term until a replacement is found as allowed by Chapter 3.3.3.2 of the SLDC. District 4 had a total of five (5) candidates inquire about the appointment and District 5 had two (2) inquiries into the appointment.

The list of applicants for District 1 is as follows:

Carl Trujillo, *Current Member*
Dennis Boyd

The list of applicants for District 4 is as follows:

Erik Aaboe, *Current Member*
Brett Trusko
Eliot Chavanne
Kasey Cosely
Lucy Foma

The list of applicants for District 5 is as follows:

Ruben Mendoza, *Current Member*
Renee Galeano-Popp

The Applicants letters of interest for District 1 are included in Exhibit B. Exhibit C contains the Applicants letters of interest for District 4 and the letters of interest for District 5 are included in Exhibit D.

All letters of interest were sent to their respective County Commissioner for review of staff recommendation. The current members of the Planning Commission not up for reappointment are as follows:

Jeremy Mier, District 2, January 2026
Dan Pava, At Large Member, January 2026
Wendy Melgin-Pierard, At Large Member, January 2026

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the reappointment of Carl Trujillo for District 1, the reappointment of Erik Aaboe for District 4 and the reappointment of Ruben Mendoza for District 5.

Each member shall serve a two (2) year term expiring in January 2027.

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A— Chapter 3, Section 3.3. (Planning Commission) of the SLDC
Exhibit B – Applicants’ Letters of Interest and Resumes (District 1)
Exhibit C—Applicants’ Letters of Interest and Resumes (District 4)
Exhibit D—Applicants’ Letters of Interest and Resumes (District 5)