

## STAFF REPORT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: BRUCE BUCKINGHAM, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR *BAB*  
SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

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### BACKGROUND

One (1) vacancy currently exists on the Planning Commission due to the resignation of former Planning Commissioner Mike Nielson received towards the end of September 2009. Staff advertised the vacancy with press releases in the local newspapers, notices on the City website and government cable access Channel 20, and posted notices in City bulletin boards at City Hall and the Post Office.

### DISCUSSION

The Advisory Body Screening Committee, comprised of Mayor Shoals, Council Member Mires, and Planning Commission Chair Coleman, conducted interviews on Thursday, March 4, 2010. Applicants were advised that the City Council would be requested to confirm the official appointment at tonight's meeting. It should be noted that both candidates were well qualified and eager to serve the Grover Beach community as a member of the Planning Commission.

At the conclusion of the interviews, the Advisory Body Screening Committee recommended that: 1) the City Council appoint **Mr. Brad Evans** to fill the existing vacancy on the Planning Commission scheduled to expire on May 31, 2013; and 2) the same panel that was convened for the Advisory Body Screening Committee on March 4, 2010 consider the application of Mr. Victor Montalban during the next round of interviews for appointments to the Planning Commission, without requiring that he be re-interviewed.

There are three four-year terms on the Planning Commission scheduled to expire on May 31, 2010. As that date approaches, staff will advertise the Commission vacancies and schedule interviews with the Advisory Body Screening Committee thereafter. Those members with expiring Commission terms (Commissioners Blum, Marshall, and Dr. Roberson) may apply for reappointment to the Commission and may continue to serve as Commissioners on a month-to-month basis until the Council determines official appointments.

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APPROVED FOR FORWARDING

  
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ROBERT PERRAULT  
CITY MANAGER

Please Review for the Possibility of a  
Potential Conflict of Interest:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Identified by Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Bright   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoals                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Mires    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nicolls                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Peterson |

Meeting Date: March 15, 2010

Agenda Item No. 6

### **ALTERNATIVES**

The City Council has the following alternatives to consider:

1. Accept the Advisory Body Screening Committee recommendations and adopt the Resolution confirming the appointment;
2. Do not accept the Screening Committee's recommendations and direct staff to continue the recruitment process for applicants; or
3. Provide alternative direction to staff.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Advisory Body Screening Committee recommends that the City Council:

1. Accept the Screening Committee's recommendations;
2. Adopt the Resolution appointing **Mr. Brad Evans** to fill an *unexpired* term on the Planning Commission, expiring on May 31, 2013; and
3. Upon appointment, introduce **Planning Commissioner Evans** to the City Council and members of the audience.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

### **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**

The agenda was posted in accordance with the Brown Act. All Applicants were notified of the Screening Committee's recommendations and sent a copy of this staff report and agenda.

### **Attachments**

1. Draft Resolution
2. Applications (*originals are on file in the City Clerk's Office and available for public inspection during regular business hours.*)

RESOLUTION NO. 10-\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVER BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRAD EVANS TO SERVE ON THE GROVER BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission is a body of seven lay citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, one (1) vacancy currently exists on the Commission due to the resignation of former Planning Commissioner Mike Nielsen, leaving his position on the Commission vacant until the expiration date of May 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the City actively solicited potential candidates to serve on the Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the Advisory Body Screening Committee to interview prospective citizen candidates to the City's Advisory Bodies, and to make recommendations to the City Council for approval of appointments by the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, the Advisory Body Screening Committee, consisting of Mayor Shoals, Council Member Mires, and Planning Commission Chair Coleman conducted interviews on Thursday, March 4, 2010, and at the conclusion of those interviews made recommendations to the City Council for approval of appointment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Grover Beach hereby accepts the Advisory Body Screening Committee's recommendations, and approves the following appointment to be made by the Mayor:

- **Brad Evans** to an *unexpired* four-year term, expiring on May 31, 2013

On motion by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, second by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, and on the following roll-call vote, to wit:

- AYES: Council Members -
- NOES: Council Members -
- ABSENT: Council Members -
- ABSTAIN: Council Members -

the foregoing Resolution was **PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010.

  
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 JOHN P. SHOALS, MAYOR

Attest:

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DONNA L. McMAHON, CITY CLERK

**Appointment(s) to City Boards, Commissions and/or Committees**

Please Note: In recognition of concerns regarding the privacy of applicants to City Boards, Commissions, and Committees, completed application forms will *not* be posted to the City website.

However, completed applications are considered a public record and are available in the City Clerk's Office for public review and inspection during normal business hours.