

Community Stakeholder Nomination Work Group – Sept. 19, 2017 Update

Summary

The Community Stakeholder Nomination Work Group met on Sunday, September 17 to review applicants for the one open Community Stakeholder seat and outline a process for evaluation and Commission approval. Applicants were narrowed to five finalists. The Work Group will meet with each of the finalists to select a top choice and backup for full Commission approval at our October meeting

Members

Lead: Richard Jung, lead

Other members: Shubhada Saxena, Nguyen Stanton, Kirk Yoshida

Process

The Work Group is adhering to the following process filling for the Community Stakeholder seat:

1. Selection of finalists
 - The group reviewed each of the 26 applications
 - Applicants were screened for application content and Austin AAPI community connections
 - Those who provided no information beyond the basic application were removed from consideration
 - The group selected five finalists for further review
2. Recommendation of top choice and backup
 - The Work Group, along with any other interested Commission members, will hold two meetings in early-to-mid October for further review
 - Finalists will be provided with a short list of topics for potential discussion
 - After the meetings with the finalists, the Work Group will discuss and select a top choice and backup (should the top choice drop out before City Council approval) for Commission action
3. Commission approval
 - At our October Commission meeting, we will have an agenda item for action and discussion to approve the work group recommendation
4. Applicant follow up
 - The Work Group will draft a letter to be sent by City staff to the applicants who were not recommended
 - The letter will thank them for their application and interest
 - The letter will invite them to join one or more of the work groups
 - The letter will provide a description of the work groups along with lead contact information