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MOBILITY TASK FORCE - Approve Selection of Twelve Members for the Fremont Mobility Task Force and Solicit Applications for Two Additional Members Representing Council District 6 (Irvington Area) and Fremont Unified School District

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Executive Summary: The purpose of this report is to facilitate the selection of members to the Fremont Mobility Task Force.

BACKGROUND: The creation of a Fremont Mobility Task Force was initiated by Mayor Lily Mei and approved by the City Council at their meeting on May 16, 2017. The purpose of the Task Force is to guide development of a Mobility Action Plan addressing Citywide traffic congestion issues, the safety of all travel modes, and future transportation trends, such as autonomous vehicles.

The Task Force membership is proposed to represent a variety of community perspectives including: residents from each Council District; a representative from the Planning Commission, Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Committee, and Environmental Sustainability Commission; and local businesses and professionals involved with the transportation industry.

A professional consultant team is planned to be available to assist the Task Force and City staff to understand current issues and plans, explore transportation improvement ideas, conduct outreach with the community, interview other stakeholders and experts, and prepare a Mobility Action Plan. A proposed service contract with the selected consultant is expected to be proposed for approval by the City Council in October.

Meetings of the Mobility Task Force are planned to occur on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Development Services Center, Niles Conference Room. Planned meeting dates are: October 19, November 16, December 21, February 15, March 15, and April 19. A mid-effort work session with the City Council is planned for January 2018 and Council approval of the Mobility Action Plan is proposed for May 2018.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS: An application process for membership on the Mobility Task Force was initiated on July 11, 2017 and with a due date of July 31, 2017. Information and application forms were available on the City's website. The process was managed in a consistent manner as the application process for other City Boards and Commissions. A total of 18 applications were received. Notably, eight of the applications were from residents living in Council District 5 (Mission / Warm Springs area). No applications were received from Council District 6 (Irvington area).

As directed by the Council at the May 16, 2017 Council Meeting, staff worked with the Mayor on the proposed selection of representatives for the Mobility Task Force. Listed below are the names of the twelve people proposed for appointment to the Mobility Task Force along with some information about their time of residency in Fremont, community participation, and/or professional expertise.

Council District Representatives

- District 1 (Ardenwood Area) – **Sally Morgan** - resident for 30 years; Fremont Citizens Network; FUSD Committee; education professional
- District 2 (Centerville Area) – **Laura Winter** - resident for 30 years; Recreation Commission; civil engineering professional
- District 3 (Downtown Area) – **Jitu Choudhury** - resident for 21 years; Islamic Society; business professional
- District 4 (Niles Area) – **John Sage** - resident for 27 years; Fremont Freewheelers (past president); business & smart cities professional (Google, Ericsson)
- District 5 (Mission/Warm Springs Area) – **Jannet Benz** - resident for 30 years; Fremont Citizen's Network (co-founder); Sierra Club; Girl Scouts

Commission/Committee Representatives

- Planning Commission – **Reshma Karipineni** - resident for 37 years; lives in District 5; FUSD Committee; business professional (Stanford Health Care)
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Committee – **Gary Suplick** - resident for 48 years; lives in District 3; Boy Scouts; education professional (former teacher & principal)
- Environmental Sustainability – **John Rennels** - resident for 40 years; lives in District 5; Urban Land Institute; transit agency professional (BART)

Professional/Business/Institutional Representatives

- Transportation Engineering Professional – **Mark Spencer** - resident for 15 years; lives in District 5; Institute of Transportation Engineers (President, Western District)
- Business/Technology Professional – **Balaji Sundaram** - resident for 12 years; lives in District 4; computer science & smart cities professional (Verizon Connected Cities)
- Transit Agency Professional – **Diane Shaw** - resident for 33 years; lives in District 2; County bike/ped committee; transit agency & information technology professional (SamTrans)
- Ohlone College – **John Worley** – public safety & traffic/parking enforcement professional (Chief of Campus Police; formerly with Alameda County Sheriff's Office)

Due to the lack of applicants from Council District 6 (Irvington Area), it is recommended that a supplemental solicitation of interest be made for a District 6 representative. Also, given the community importance of transportation safety and mobility related to Fremont's schools, it is further recommended that the City solicit a representative from the Fremont Unified School District.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: None.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve selection of twelve members for the Fremont Mobility Task Force.
2. Solicit applications for two additional members representing Council District 6 (Irvington Area) and Fremont Unified School District for selection by the Mayor.