



# Staff Report

## City Council

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**Meeting Date:** June 26, 2024

**From:** Tracey Hermosillo, City Clerk

**Title:** Interview Applicants for the Palm Springs International Airport Commission and Finance Advisory Committee

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Interview applicants for the Palm Springs International Airport Commission and the Finance Advisory Committee.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The terms of appointments and term limits for commissions and committees have been established in the Cathedral City Municipal Code and by Resolution. There are no term limits established for committees in the municipal code. All members of the commissions and committees shall be appointed for a three-year term unless otherwise provided by law, Ordinance, Resolution or if not applicable. When an unexpected vacancy occurs on a commission/committee, an appointment may be made to fulfill the remainder of the term. Most, if not all, terms will expire on June 30th of their respective year.

The Finance Advisory Committee is made up of five members and currently has one term expiring on June 30, 2024. The committee meets annually or on an as needed basis and shall be subject to the provisions of the Brown Act.

The Palm Springs International Airport Commission has one seat with a term expiring on June 30, 2024. The Commission meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room, second floor of terminal building at Palm Springs international Airport.

### **DISCUSSION:**

With the expiration of terms on the Palm Springs International Airport Commission and the Finance Advisory Committee on June 30, 2024, staff solicited applicants to fill the anticipated vacancies. Efforts included posting a notice of anticipated vacancies at City Hall, the Senior Center and the Cathedral City Library, on the City's website and social media. All current commissioners and committee members whose term is expiring in June 2024, were sent an email letting them know that their term would be expiring and inquiring whether or not they would be interested in reappointment. Applications were received through May 31, 2024.

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Tony Michaelis, who currently represents the City on the Palm Springs International Airport Commission, has indicated that he does not wish to be considered for reappointment. Staff received six applications from the following individuals:

Gary Amy  
Jimmie Leckliter  
Christopher Lewis  
Robert Mata  
Christian Samlaska  
Donald Vickers

Ruth Fernandez, who is on the Finance Advisory Committee term is expiring on June 30, 2024, has indicated that she would like to be considered for reappointment. We received an additional application from Danielle Mead.

All applicants have been invited to interview with the City Council on June 26, 2024, during the Study Session portion of the meeting, their applications and letters of interest are attached for your review.

Formal appointments may be made during the regular City Council meeting on June 26, 2024.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No Fiscal Impact with this item.

**FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Not Applicable

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Application Gary Amy PS Airport
2. Application Jimmie Leckliter PS Airport
3. Application Christopher Lewis PS Airport
4. Application Robert Mata PS Airport
5. Application Christian Samlaska PS Airport
6. Application Donald Vickers PS Airport
7. Application Ruth Fernandez Finance Advisory Committee
8. Application Danielle Mead Finance Advisory Committee