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Memorandum 22-014

TO: MAYOR CASTNER AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL

FROM: ADA COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

THRU: RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK/ADA COORDINATOR

DATE: DECEMBER 15, 2021

SUBJECT: AMENDING THE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Background

For several meetings there were questions on obtaining a quorum for the Committee and it was questioned if the membership of the committee could be increased. As time went by the vacancies on the Committee were filled, but there are still times when members are unable to attend meetings and site visits in preparation of the city's Transition Plan.

Increasing the committee by two seats would offer additional opportunities of input from the community to the improvements needed in the city facilities, programs and services, ensuring that this Committee and the City attains its goals of being accessible to all.

At the regular meeting on November 20, 2021 the Committee voted unanimously to submit a request to City Council to increase the membership by two with a preference for appointing applicants that have a disability and that the two seats be open to residents or non-residents. The preference was requested as this would provide the personal insight of someone who lives and navigates life with a disability.

An excerpt of the minutes for the Committee's discussion has been included.

Recommendation

Approve the Resolution to amend the membership of the ADA Compliance Committee to add two additional seats.

Excerpt of the Regular Meeting November 10, 2021

New Business

B. Memorandum from ADA Coordinator re: Amending the Committee Membership

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title and requested a motion.

GEISLER/THORSRUD MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP.

Discussion ensued on the pros and cons to increasing the membership and the desire to recruit and have a member with physical disabilities on the committee.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.