



Office of the City Manager

ACTION CALENDAR

April 4, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Board of Library Trustees

Submitted by: Heidi Dolamore, Director of Library Services, Acting as Secretary, Board of Library Trustees

Subject: Appointment of Judy J. Hunt to the Board of Library Trustees

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution appointing Judy J. Hunt to the Board of Library Trustees (“BOLT”) for a term of four years beginning April 4, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

This report has no fiscal impacts.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

At the March 1, 2017 regular meeting of BOLT, Trustees voted to recommend Judy J. Hunt fill the current vacancy for a 4-year term on the Board of Library Trustees. Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb, and Novosel voted in favor of the recommendation; Trustee Hahn abstained.

BACKGROUND

The Board of Library Trustees consists of five members. One Trustee is a member of the City Council and the other four members are appointed by the City Council upon recommendation of the Board of Library Trustees. Board members are appointed for terms of four years, serve without compensation, and must be Berkeley residents.

Trustee Burton has served two 4-year terms on the Board. His second term expired on March 23, 2017. At the Regular Meeting of BOLT on November 9, 2016, BOLT instructed staff to begin solicitation of applications for the upcoming vacancy.

The process for replacement is for the Board to promote the vacancy, interview candidates, and choose an applicant to recommend to the City Council for appointment. The search for a replacement began in November 2016 to ensure an appointment to replace Trustee Burton was made prior to the April BOLT meeting.

The City Clerk’s Office of the City of Berkeley received eleven applications from interested candidates; two of these applicants withdrew. Eight applicants were interviewed at the Regular Meeting of March 1, 2017 (one applicant did not participate in interviews). Following the public interviews, the Board discussed the selection of their

recommended candidate in an open meeting. The Trustees were impressed with the many qualified and interested applicants. After thoughtful consideration, BOLT voted to approve Resolution No. R17-015 (Attachment 2) recommending Ms. Hunt for appointment to the board to fill the current vacancy.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Not applicable.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

BOLT recommends that City Council appoint a new Trustee for a 4-year term to fill the current vacancy. Ms. Hunt brings the required qualifications and experience desired in a Trustee and a passion for libraries. This appointment will fulfill the Board requirement for five members.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution
- 2: Board of Library Trustees Resolution No. R17-015

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

APPOINTMENT OF JUDY HUNT TO THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees consists of five members to be appointed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees in coordination with the City Clerk's Office, undertook a recruitment effort to seek applicants to replace the vacancy created by the end of Trustee Winston Burton's second four-year term; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees interviewed a number of applicants for the Trustee vacancy; and

WHEREAS, at a Regular meeting of the board on March 1, 2017 the Trustees voted to recommend Judy J. Hunt, be appointed to the Board of Library Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hunt brings the required qualifications and experience desired in a trustee and a passion for libraries.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that Judy J. Hunt be appointed to the Board of Library Trustees for a term of four years beginning April 4, 2017.

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO: R17-015

RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY REGARDING THE PREFERRED CANDIDATE TO FILL THE UPCOMING VACANCY ON MARCH 24, 2017 ON THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, Trustee Burton's second four year term will end on March 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, during the November 09, 2016 meeting of the Board of Library Trustees, the Board instructed staff to begin solicitation for applications to fill the upcoming vacancy and issue public announcements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees directed staff to place paid advertisements in local publications and use other means to promote the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk's Office of the City of Berkeley received eleven applications from interested parties; and

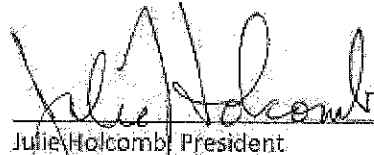
WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees interviewed eight of the applicants during the regular meeting on March 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board recommends Council set the conditions for this appointment as a 4-year term with the effective dates of March 24, 2017 to March 23, 2021.

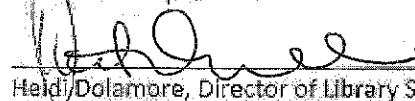
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Library Trustees of the City of Berkeley recommends to the City Council of the City of Berkeley that the preferred candidate, Judy J. Hunt be appointed to the Board of Library Trustees beginning March 24, 2017.

ADOPTED by the Board of Library Trustees of the City of Berkeley during a regular meeting held on March 1, 2017.

AYES: Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb & Novosel.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTENTIONS: Trustee Hahn



Julie Holcomb, President



Heidi Dolamore, Director of Library Services
Serving as Secretary to the Board of Library Trustees