



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, December 9, 2025
TO: CITY COUNCIL
WRITTEN BY: DEPUTY CITY CLERK PACHECO
RECOMMENDED BY: CITY CLERK ORTIZ
APPROVED BY: TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AFFIRMATION OF LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST FOR COMMISSIONS,
BOARDS, & COMMITTEES

RECOMMENDATION:

By motion, affirm the Local Appointments List and direct the City Clerk to post it on the City's Website and the Public Notices Board located outside the Watsonville Public Library, as required by State Law, Government Code Section 54972.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with California Government Code Section 54972, each legislative body must prepare and post a list of all appointments to boards, commissions, and committees made by the Council before December 31 of each year.

The State Legislature found that there was a vast and largely untapped reservoir of talent existing among the citizens of the State of California and that they were not aware of the many opportunities that exist to participate in and serve on local regulatory and advisory boards, commissions, and committees. In accordance with Government Code Section 54972, the list must include the following information:

- The appointive terms, which will expire during the next calendar year, with the name of the incumbent appointee, the date of the appointment, the date the term expires, and the necessary qualifications for the position.
- All boards, commissions, and committees whose members serve at the pleasure of the legislative body, and the necessary qualifications for each position.

After the City Council takes action to affirm the list, the City Clerk will post it on the City’s Website at: <https://watsonville.gov/182/Boards-Commissions-Committees> and on the public notices board outside the Watsonville Public Library for the months of December 2025 and January 2026.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:

Affirming the Local Appointments List is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq. and under the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000 et. seq.), including without limitation, Public Resources Code Section 21065 and California Code of Regulations 15378 as it is not a “project” that may cause a direct, or reasonably foreseeable indirect, physical change in the environment and if a “project,” it is exempt under the “common sense” exception (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Efficient and Well-Performing Government – Affirming the Local Appointments List in accordance with Government Code Section 54972 promotes transparency in government operations. It ensures vacancies on boards, commissions, and committees are publicly noticed, encouraging community participation and helping appoint qualified individuals.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

No reasonable alternatives are known at this time.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):

1. Local Appointments List
2. Government Code Sections 54970-54974