

TO: City Council

FROM: Bob Engler and David Newman Councilmembers

DATE: October 10, 2023

SUBJECT: Ventura County Air Pollution Control District Advisory Committee Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve re-appointment of Edward Carloni, as the City of Thousand Oaks representative to the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (VCAPCD) Advisory Committee for a four-year term ending January 2027.
2. Find that this action is not a project as defined under the California Environmental Quality Act.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No Additional Funding Requested. Staff time to process applications and assist in the interview process is included in the Adopted FY 2023-24 General Fund Budget.

BACKGROUND:

The VCAPCD is charged with the responsibility of regulating stationary and mobile air pollution sources in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Federal Clean Air Act and by the State Air Resources Board. The Advisory Committee meets once a month, as needed, at the VCAPCD offices in Ventura. The Committee is composed of 20 members. The Ventura County Board of Supervisors nominates two Committee members each, for a total of ten. The ten Ventura County cities (Camarillo, Fillmore, Moorpark, Ojai, Oxnard, Port Hueneme, San Buenaventura, Santa Paula, Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks) nominate one Committee member each, for a total of ten. This committee reviews proposed regulatory rule changes and makes recommendations to the Air Pollution Control Board.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

In October 2022, the City Clerk Department opened a 30-day recruitment for one regular member on the VCAPCD Advisory Committee, term to January 2027. The notice was posted on the City's website and promoted through the City Scene newsletter, and press releases to local publications. Two applications were received, including incumbent, Edward Carloni. Councilmember Bob Engler and Councilmember David Newman conducted interviews on June 14, 2023, with the two candidates via Zoom. After reviewing applications and conducting interviews, Edward Carloni is recommended for re-appointment. Mr. Carloni has used his science-based experience and education to review air pollution issues and has represented the City as a member of the Advisory Committee since 2017 (Attachment #1).

COUNCIL GOAL COMPLIANCE:

Meets the following City Council goal:

B. Provide municipal government leadership which is open and responsive to residents, and is characterized by ethical behavior, stability, promoting public trust, transparency, confidence in the future, and cooperative interaction among civic leaders, residents, business representatives, and staff, while recognizing and respecting legitimate differences of opinion on critical issues facing the City.

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Attachments:

Attachment #1 – VCAPCD Advisory Committee Application