



# Memorandum

**TO:** RULES AND OPEN  
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

**FROM:** LEE PRICE, MMC  
CITY CLERK 

**SUBJECT:** AIRPORT COMMISSION

**DATE:** May 27, 2010

**Background:** At the May 26, 2010 Rules and Open Government Committee meeting, the Committee made two appointments to the Airport Commission and considered Council Member Chu's recommendation that the applicant pool be expanded. The City Clerk was requested to bring back additional information about the current applicant pool. This memorandum is in response to that request.

The Office of the City Clerk conducted the first semi-annual recruitment process for a number of boards/commissions/committees earlier this year. The recruitment closed on February 26, 2010.

Two incumbents were reappointed on May 12<sup>th</sup> (Frank Sweeney and John Salah). One incumbent was not eligible to reapply and two resignations resulted in unanticipated vacancies, leaving three seats to fill on the Airport Commission (one full term beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> and two unexpired terms ending June 30, 2011).

This year's recruitment yielded thirteen (13) new applications. Nine (9) applicants<sup>1</sup> were interviewed by the Project Diversity Screening Committee (PDSC) in April. The PDSC recommended to the Council Liaison, Council Member Chu, four (4) out nine (9) applicants. The following list summarizes the PDSC recommendations:

Highly Recommended

Spencer Horowitz

Recommended

George Gange<sup>2</sup>

Ian Kluff<sup>3</sup>

Michael Valladao

Not-Recommended

Gary Cunningham

Amal Sinha

Georgie Nielsen

Dennis Uram

Charles Weekes

**Conclusion:** There is still one seat to fill on the Airport Commission. There are two (2) applicants who have been recommended by the PDSC and five (5) who were not. Additionally, four (4) applications for candidates who have not been interviewed remain on file.

<sup>1</sup> Applicants who are not interviewed by PDSC are not considered for appointment in the current cycle, however their applications are kept active and on file for one year. In this case, two applicants were unavailable; and two did not show up.

<sup>2</sup> George Gange was recommended by Council Member Chu and appointed by Rules on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

<sup>3</sup> Ian Kluff was recommended by Council Member Chu and appointed by Rules on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

# Memorandum

**TO:** RULES AND OPEN  
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

**FROM:** Councilmember  
Kansen Chu

**SUBJECT:** Airport Commission Appointment

**DATE:** May 20, 2010

## RECOMMENDATION

I would like to recommend George Gange and Ian Klufft for appointment to the Airport Commission.

These appointments will fill two out of three vacancies on the Airport Commission. I would, therefore, recommend that the City Clerk be directed to expand the applicant pool by continuing to recruit and accept applications for the Airport Commission.

  
KANSEN CHU  
Councilmember

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