



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Board of Supervisors



Date: March 31, 2017

Board Meeting Date: April 25, 2017

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor David Canepa

Subject: Appointment to the Planning Commission Representing District 5

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for the appointment of Mario Santacruz, representing District 5 to the Planning Commission, for a term ending December 31, 2020.

BACKGROUND:

The Planning Commission is authorized by county ordinance to review the county General Plan and various development regulations and make recommendations on their adoption or amendment by the Board of Supervisors. The Commission is also charged with reviewing and acting upon various development permits issued by the county. The Commission's jurisdiction is generally limited to the unincorporated areas of the county.

DISCUSSION:

Mario Santacruz, a resident of Daly City, is an ideal candidate for appointment to the San Mateo County Planning Commission. Mr. Santacruz holds a Masters in Public Administration from San Francisco State University and a Human Resources Certificate from George Washington University in Association with the Council on Education Management. Since 1999 he has held numerous positions with the City and County of San Francisco with his first job being a personnel analyst. He was a Human Resources Manager in the SF Child Support Services Department and then an HR Operations Supervisor for the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. He was the HR Operations Manager for the Human Services Agency and is currently the Succession Planning Manager for the San Francisco Human Services Agency. Mr. Santacruz has a broad range of knowledge related to government operations and is ideally suited to review San Mateo County's General Plan and make any recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on various development regulations. He will act upon various development permits with the highest level of professionalism. He is also a partner in a small business, operating Lisa's Mexican Restaurant in Daly City. I strongly endorse his appointment based on his numerous qualifications.

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This appointment contributes to the 2025 Shared Vision statement of a Collaborative Community. Our diverse population works well together to build strong communities, effective government and a prosperous economy, civic engagement – including voting, public service, charitable giving, volunteerism, and participation in public discussions of important issues – is uniformly high among the diverse population of San Mateo County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.