



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT 4
File #: 18-056

Board Meeting Date: 1/23/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Warren Slocum
Subject: Reappointment of Meda Okelo to the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Commission

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for the reappointment of Meda Okelo representing District 4 to the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Commission, for a term ending January 23, 2020.

BACKGROUND:

The San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for establishing policies to guide the work of the County's Department of Parks. This includes issues of parkland use management such as master plans, acquisitions, and development. The Commission is actively involved in helping set budget priorities and fostering the recruitment and placement of volunteers in County parks.

Commissioners receive input from citizens on County Parks issues and make recommendations, as appropriate, to the Board of Supervisors. They also act as liaison to a number of support groups such as the Parks' Foundation, Volunteer Roundtable, and other ad hoc committees that may be appointed. They may serve as Commission liaison to special projects, especially related to master plan developments.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Okelo has served on the Parks and Recreation Commission since 2014 and is currently serving as the Chair of the Commission. Over the course of his service on the commission, Mr. Okelo has shown exceptional leadership and was the voting member that recommended the Mini-Park Policy to the Board of Supervisors. San Mateo County will be well served by his reappointment to the Parks Commission.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None