

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISTRICT 3 **File #:** 19-611

Board Meeting Date: 6/25/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Don Horsley

Supervisor Carole Groom

Subject: Appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee:

- A) Judith Humburg, appointment representing Public member for an initial partial term ending June 30, 2021; and
- B) Peter Marchi, appointment representing Farmer member for an initial partial term ending June 30, 2021; and
- C) Natalie Sare, appointment representing Farmer member for an initial partial term ending June 30, 2022; and
- D) Cynthia Duenas, appointment representing Public member for an initial partial term ending June 31, 2021.

BACKGROUND:

The Agricultural Advisory Committee actively assists in the preservation of agriculture throughout San Mateo County through advice and recommendation to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

DISCUSSION:

Judith Humburg was initially appointed to the Agricultural Advisory Committee on July 10, 2018 representing Farmer member. Based on her qualifications and the Committee's interest, she is being recommended to vacate her seat as a Farmer and be appointed to represent the Public member seat.

Peter Marchi is being recommended to fill a Farmer seat that was vacated mid-term. Peter is a member of the Farm Bureau Board and very involved in his community as a coach for youth sports. Peter has over 40 years of experience farming and enjoys helping the community with his agricultural experience.

Natalie Sare is being recommended to fill the Farmer seat vacated mid-term by Judith Humburg, who is being recommended to fill the Public seat based on her qualifications. Natalie is a third generation farmer and agricultural business owner on the San Mateo County Coastside. She is also a member of the California Christmas Tree Growers Association and National Christmas Tree Growers Association. Natalie hopes to uphold the mission statement of his committee and assist in making it easier and viable for agriculture to continue on the San Mateo County Coastside.

Cynthia Duenas is being recommended to fill a Public seat that was vacated mid-term. Cynthia' professional background is varied in the food production and manufacturing industries. She graduated from Le Cordon Bleu/California School of Culinary Arts and has also studied Food Science and Nutrition. Cynthia is a passionate food industry professional with a wealth of knowledge of federal and local agencies and regulations.

These appointments contribute 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.