



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 5.A.  
For Meeting of: June 18, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Council Nominating Committee recommendations regarding appointments to boards, commissions, and committees

**SUBMITTED BY:** Councilmember Janice Deccio, Committee Chair

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

The Council Nominating Committee met on June 6, 2024 and made the following recommendations for appointments:

- Arts Commission - Dr. Yesenia Navarrete Hunter (working artist) and Jeremy Lucas Castillo (community member)
- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) - Connie Upton (Yakima Convention Center)
- Parks and Recreation Commission - Gib van der Heyden and Paul Cook
- Planning Commission - Arthur Salido and Kevin Rangel
- Tree City Board - Scot Stephens

Additionally, the Council Nominating Committee recommends the following reappointments:

- Henry Beauchamp Community Center Committee - Berenice Ponce
- Historic Preservation Commission - Clayton Bussey
- Parks and Recreation Commission - Robert Young and Mariah Cornejo (youth position)
- Tree City Board - John Tolonen (tree care specialist position)

**ITEM BUDGETED:**

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve recommendations.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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