



McFARLAND CITY COUNCIL

McFarland Successor Agency, McFarland Public Finance Authority,
McFarland Improvement Authority, McFarland Parking Authority

Special Meeting Notice and Agenda

Council Chambers
103 W. Sherwood Ave, McFarland, CA
Website: <https://www.mcfarlandcity.org/>

Friday, January 17, 2025
4:30 PM

SAUL AYON, Mayor
RICARDO CANO, Vice Mayor
AMADOR AYON, Council Member
ANITA GONZALEZ, Council Member

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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Saul Ayon

ROLL CALL:

Mayor/Chair, Saul Ayon
Vice Mayor/Vice-Chair, Ricardo Cano
Council Member/Board Member, Amador Ayon
Council Member/Board Member, Anita Gonzalez

APPROVE AGENDA AS TO FORM

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

1. Discuss Application and Filling the District 2 Vacant Council Seat

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public wishing to address the Council about any item not on the agenda may do so at this time. Speakers are limited to two minutes for each person. Fifteen minutes total will be allowed for any one subject. Please state your name and address for the record prior to making a presentation.

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ADJOURNMENT

This is to certify this agenda was posted at McFarland City Hall on January 16, 2025.

Erika De La Cruz

Erika De La Cruz, City Clerk

Diego Viramontes

Diego Viramontes, City Manager

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STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No. 1.
Section: ADMINISTRATIVE
AGENDA
Meeting Date: January 17,
2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Diego Viramontes, City Manager
Erika De La Cruz, City Clerk
Nathan Hodges, City Attorney / Legal

SUBJECT: Discuss Application and Filling the District 2 Vacant Council Seat

SUMMARY:

On December 11, 2024, the City Council of the City of McFarland approved the use of the **Application Method** to fill the vacant District 2 Council seat. Public notice of this process was disseminated through social media platforms and the City of McFarland's official website.

As of today, only one application has been received by the City Clerk's Office. Under California Government Code, the City Council is legally required to fill a vacant Council seat within 60 days. To comply with the statutory 60-day requirement under California law, the candidate review and appointment process must be completed by **February 4, 2025**. Should the Council fail to take action within this timeframe, the seat would remain vacant until the next general municipal election.

In light of this, City staff is requesting direction from the Council regarding the next steps to proceed under the selected Application Method.

The Application Method entails the following process:

- Application Period: The City Council establishes a timeline for interested candidates to submit an official City application to the City Clerk.
- Appointment: The Council considers the submitted applications at a future Council meeting and makes a decision on the appointment.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is a minimal fiscal impact associated with appointment other than certain Staff time, etc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council to discuss the application and how to proceed with filling the District 2 Vacant Council Seat.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Application for Filling Council Member Vacancy- Maria Trancito Perez

