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Legislation Text

File #: 18-705, **Version:** 1

Approve the appointment of Paul Adler as the Business Representative to the Workforce Development Board (WDB) of Solano County, for a term to expire on October 22, 2022, as required under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Published Notice Required? Yes ___ No X

Public Hearing Required? Yes ___ No X

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors appoint Paul Adler as the Business Representative to the Workforce Development Board (WDB) of Solano County, for a term to expire on October 22, 2022, as required under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

SUMMARY:

The Board of Supervisors, as the local elected official authorized under §107(b)(1) of the 2014 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and as described on page 2 of the Bylaws of the WDB of Solano County, Article VI-Section C. Selection of Directors, appoint representatives to the Board of Directors of the WDB. The WDB Board of Directors approved the above-named nominee at their September 21, 2018 Board meeting.

Based on the technical certification, membership nomination, application and supplemental application, as well as WDB Board action, Mr. Adler can now be considered for formal ratification by the Board of Supervisors as the newest representative on the Board of Directors of the WDB.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Administrative costs were the only financial impact on this action which is covered in the WDB approved budget.

DISCUSSION:

Paul graduated from the University of San Diego, in May 2000, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications. He began his career in government affairs serving as a District Representative for the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors (Federal Glover) from 2001-2004. After completing his master's degree in leadership studies, he served an additional two terms with the Board of Supervisors from 2007-2015.

Paul transitioned into the refining and petroleum industry in 2015 as the Communications and Public Affairs Manager for a Bay Area Refinery (Phillips 66). In this role, he was responsible for preparing a strategic plan for external affairs, developing media communications, and monitoring community relations. He transitioned to the

Valero Benicia Refinery as the Government Affairs and Community Relations Director in Spring 2018. He also serves on many non-profit boards and served on the Contra Costa Workforce Development Board for over three (3) years, chairing the Youth Committee.

After a technical review of Mr. Adler's application documents, he has been found to be in compliance with the regulatory requirements governing the Business Representative category for the Workforce Development Board membership appointment. Mr. Adler will serve terms of office from October 23, 2018 through October 22, 2022.

With this appointment, as recommended in this report, the WDB will have 24 of its 25 membership seats filled. Staff is currently looking to identify a Business Representative to fill the current vacancy.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Supervisors could choose to not ratify Mr. Adler's appointment, and a new search for a Business Representative could ensue. However, Mr. Adler is considered to be an excellent candidate to serve in this representative category on the WDB, having expressed interest in serving on the WDB Board and backed by the President of the Rotary Club of Benicia.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

James Lessenger, MD, President of the Rotary Club of Benicia provided a nomination of behalf of Mr. Adler.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION