



Legislation Text

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Approve the appointment of Hassan Sabbagh as a member-at-large to the Solano Partnership Against Violence (SPAV) Advisory Board for a 2-year term to expire on February 11, 2022; Approve the appointment of Karenda Stinnett as a member-at-large to the SPAV Advisory Board for a 3-year term to expire on February 11, 2023; and Approve the reappointment of Cynthia Williams as a member-at-large to the SPAV Advisory Board for a 3-year term to expire on February 11, 2023

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒
Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

The District Attorney's Office of Family Violence Prevention (OFVP) and the Executive Committee of the Solano Partnership Against Violence (SPAV) recommends the Board approve the appointments to the SPAV Advisory Board as follows:

- Appointment of Hassan Sabbagh, Executive Director of non-profit organization Nature of Sound, as a member at-large (professional affiliation) for a 2-year term through February 11, 2022; and
- Appointment of Karenda Stinnett, Deputy Director of Solano Advocates for Victims of Violence (SAVV), as a member at-large (non-professional affiliation) for a 3-year term through February 11, 2023; and
- Reappointment of Cynthia Williams, City of Fairfield- Parks & Recreation and CASA, as a member at-large (non-professional affiliation) for a 3-year term through February 11, 2023.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Solano Partnership Against Violence (SPAV) is an advisory board to the Board of Supervisors and as such, its members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The requested appointments are consistent with the SPAV bylaws which were approved by the Board on November 6, 2007. Membership consists of 15 voting members from professional and non-professional categories that may include health care, faith-based and social service agency representatives, as well as appointees designated by individual members of the Board of Supervisors to represent their respective Districts. Members with a professional affiliation may be appointed for a 2-year term, and those with a non-professional affiliation may be appointed for a 3-year term

SPAV became an advisory board of the Board of Supervisors in 1999 and is tasked with promoting awareness of family violence issues and with helping to develop a comprehensive, systematic approach to ending family violence in Solano County.

The OFVP continues to work with SPAV to fill vacancies by contacting local agency representatives, providing networking opportunities at SPAV meetings, reviewing letters of request for appointment, and including member recruitment information on the OFVP web page. The membership of SPAV is continuously recruiting to fill vacancies and appreciates Board of Supervisors efforts in assisting to fill vacancies. With approval of the two new appointments and one reappointment, 14 of the 15 voting memberships will be filled.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no General Fund impact associated with the appointment of SPAV members. The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2019/20 Adopted Budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Supervisors could choose not to appoint some or all these individuals to SPAV; however, this is not recommended as they have shown a desire to help reduce family violence in Solano County and are willing to be active participants on the advisory board.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Solano Partnership Against Violence (SPAV) is an inter-agency collaborative focused on developing a comprehensive and systematic approach to end family violence in Solano County.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION