

City of Piedmont  
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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DATE: September 2, 2025  
TO: Mayor and Council  
FROM: Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Administrator  
SUBJECT: Appointments to Planning Commission

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RECOMMENDATION

Make appointments to the Planning Commission for two upcoming vacancies:

- A seat with a term ending March 31, 2026.
- An alternate seat with a term ending March 31, 2028.

BACKGROUND

The City Council conducted interviews for vacancies on the Planning Commission on March 10, 2025, and made appointments to open seats that existed at the time. Overall, the quality of the candidate pool was strong and the number of candidates exceeded the number of vacancies.

Since the March meeting, Planning Commissioner Aradhana Jajodia resigned her position effective September 19, 2025, creating a vacancy on the body. Applications submitted as part of the 2025 recruitment for the Planning Commission are now presented for consideration. These candidates have confirmed ongoing interest in community service.

By: Anna M. Brown, City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Applications under consideration for Planning Commission

## Application for Appointive Vacancy

Submit Date: Feb 26, 2025

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### Profile

Michael

First Name

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Middle  
Initial

Beuselinck

Last Name

mikebeuselinck

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Home Address

Suite or Apt

Piedmont

City

CA

State

94610

Postal Code

Mobile: [REDACTED]

Primary Phone

### Education

BA Carnegie Mellon University 2001, JD University of San Francisco 2007

Attorney

Occupation

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### Application

Please select the commissions and/or committees you wish to apply for. .

#### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Planning Commission: Eligible

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### Interests & Experiences

#### Experience related to this appointment

I am a practicing real estate attorney handling both transactions and litigation. Although the core of my practice does not focus on land use and planning, I have handled numerous matters for clients with land use and planning components. Additionally, my curriculum in law school included studies in land use, planning, and environmental resources.

#### Why are you seeking this appointment?

I have a longstanding interest in public service which prompted me to enter law school. I had numerous internships at public entities, including the California Public Utilities Commission, San Francisco City Attorney's Office, and District of Columbia Public Defender Service. However, after obtaining my law degree, the public service job market was challenging. Therefore, I focused primarily on building my career and starting a family. I now volunteer for my children's educational and extracurricular activities (e.g. Assistant Scoutmaster for Piedmont Council Troop 11), but I have wanted to expand my service activities to more of my fellow Piedmont citizens. I feel that the Planning Commission's focus has the most overlap with my experience.

Michael T Beuselinck

**What particular talents will you bring to this commission/committee?**

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I have broad experience in legal aspects of real estate. I would be able to assist the commission in any questions of legal analysis or procedure. I also have experience in going through the design review process personally multiple times. Finally, my litigation practice includes dispute resolution and negotiation, and I believe I would be well suited to addressing conflicts between property owners and their neighbors or other interested parties.

**Have you attended a meeting of this commission/committee in person or virtually? \***

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☒ Yes

**Watched on KCOM? \***

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☒ No

**Watched on Streaming Video? \***

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☒ Yes

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**Certifications**

Applications for the current vacancies must be received by the City Clerk's office **no later than Friday, February 28th, at 5:00 P. M.**

Interviews with the City Council will be scheduled for the evening of **Monday, March 10, 2025. Appointments will not be made without a Council interview.**

**I will be available for an interview with the City Council on the evening of Monday, March 10.**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

**I agree that the above information is truthful to the best of my knowledge and is submitted by myself on my own behalf.**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

**E-Signature:**

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Michael Beuselinck

## Application for Appointive Vacancy

Submit Date: Feb 27, 2025

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### Profile

John L Cooper  
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

jlcooper6046 [REDACTED]  
Email Address

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Home Address

Piedmont CA 94611  
City State Postal Code

Mobile: [REDACTED]  
Primary Phone

### Education

MBA, UC Berkeley; BS Chemical Engineering and Nuclear Engineering, UC Berkeley

Retired - General Manager  
at Chevron  
Occupation

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### Application

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### Interests & Experiences

#### Experience related to this appointment

PLANNING: Business planning, performance monitoring and reporting. Also project analysis, feedback and endorsement. - 6 years as General Manager Downstream Planning - 5 years as Regional Marketing Director and GM Marketing Support (which included Planning Department) for Asia, Middle East and Africa Region at Chevron. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT: Planning, permitting, design, construction and multi-site project management. - 2 years as GM Global Property and Facilities Optimization - 2 years as Property Manager West Central Region at Chevron. NEGOTIATING and PROJECT MANAGEMENT: Successfully managed and negotiated the formation of joint ventures for Chevron. Served 4 years as GM Downstream Business Development. PIEDMONT COMMITTEE experience: Served 6 years on the Capital Improvement Projects Committee. Committee chairman during second term.

#### Why are you seeking this appointment?

I am a long-time Piedmont resident, nearly 30 years. I have a strong desire to contribute to the success of Piedmont and help meet our challenges. My skills, knowledge, and experience make serving on the Planning Commission the best match to apply myself and collaborate with others to help achieve our community's goals.

John L Cooper

**What particular talents will you bring to this commission/committee?**

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- Leadership, business and team management - Strategy development, planning and implementation - Property and facility management - Project management - Negotiating - Financial and business analysis - Organizational skills

**Have you attended a meeting of this commission/committee in person or virtually? \***

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John L Cooper