



Board Agenda Item 36

DATE: August 22, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Raman Bath, County Librarian
Fresno County Public Library

SUBJECT: Petition for Waiver of Absences from Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission - Sharon Darnell

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve petition for waiver of absences for Sharon Darnell to allow her to retain her position on the Fresno County Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission.

Approval of the recommended action will allow Sharon Darnell to remain as a regular member of the Fresno County Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If the recommended action is not approved, Ms. Darnell will be deemed to have resigned if she misses a total of three meetings in 2023, and your Board would need to appoint a new regular member.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with the Ordinance Code of Fresno County, Section 2.68.010(A), regarding member attendance at meetings, except as otherwise specifically provided by the Ordinance Code, a nonelected member of any board, commission, committee or council appointed by the Board of Supervisors shall be deemed to have resigned his or her membership for absences in excess of two regular meetings in a calendar year if the board, commission, committee or council has six or fewer regular meetings per calendar year. The Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission meets five times per year.

However, Section 2.68.035 states that, "Where a member has been absent from meetings such that one additional absence will result in an automatic resignation, that member may petition the board of supervisors for a waiver of one or more of the prior absences. Such petition may only be made once per calendar year. The granting of such petition shall be based on good cause as determined in the sole discretion of the board of supervisors."

Ms. Darnell was absent from two meetings held on January 12th, and March 9th, 2023, for the reasons mentioned in her petition, included as Attachment A. Ms. Darnell is asking for a waiver of the two absences to safeguard her opportunity to continue to serve on the Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission.

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

Attachment A

CAO ANALYST:

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