

Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Reappointment to the Historic Preservation Board (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommended Action:

Approve the reappointment of Claire Cohn as an alternate to the Historic Preservation Board for the balance of a three-year term that is set to expire on December 31, 2023.

- Appointment of an alternate to serve on the Historic Preservation Board.
- Claire Cohn has served as an Alternate on the Historic Preservation Board since she was first appointed in January 2018.
- The Clerk will do a roll call vote as there is only one nominee for this appointment.
- A ballot/worksheet is not necessary.

Background Information:

Pursuant to Pinellas Code Section 146-5, the Historic Preservation Board reviews and makes final decisions on certificate of appropriateness applications for alterations, demolitions, relocations, and new construction to designated properties in a historic district, landmarks and landmark sites; recommends the designation of historic districts, individual landmarks, and landmark sites to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC); nominating and reviewing historic resources for listing on the National Register; and working on a variety of other matters pertaining to historic preservation in Pinellas County.

The Historic Preservation Board is composed of nine members, with two alternates. Each member of the BCC nominates one member of the Historic Preservation Board, and the BCC jointly nominates two at-large members and two alternates, with the BCC appointing the entire nine members and two alternates. The BCC also appoints one of its members to the Historic Preservation Board to serve as its chairman and ex-officio, non-voting member. The Historic Preservation Board must be composed of community advocates, municipal representatives, and historic preservation professionals with expertise and/or knowledge in the historic preservation field. The term of appointment of each member is three years.

Attachments:

Claire Cohn Application and Resume Historic Preservation Board Roster

Partner(s):

Tom Scofield, Planning Department, Historic Preservation Board liaison