



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – September 26, 2018 Agenda Item 5C

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Resolution Providing for Appointments to the Committee on the Environment

Recommended Council Action

Adopt the resolution as part of the consent agenda.

Context with Key Issues

The Committee on the Environment advises the City Council on environmental issues and serves in partnership with the City Council and Takoma Park City staff to achieve sustainability and other environmental goals. Serving on the Committee are John Ackerly (Ward 2), Denis Borum (Ward 6), Jeffrey Brokaw (Ward 2), Sharon Cohen (Ward 3), Hellen Gelband (Ward 3), Sat Jiwan Ikle-Khalsa (Ward 2), Riaz Mohammed (Ward 6), Tamara Robinson (Ward 4), Geoffrey Short (Ward 4), and Kirsten Stade (Ward 4). There are presently five vacancies on the Committee and four members whose terms expired on June 30.

Hellen Gelband and Geoffrey Short have applied for reappointment and a number of residents have applied to fill vacancies. At this time the Council desires to reappointment Hellen Gelband and Geoffrey Short and appoint Kopal Jha (Ward 2) and Andrew Stilton (Ward 1).

Council Priority

Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Government; Livable Community for All

Environmental Considerations

Appointment of members to the Committee on the Environment helps to ensure that the Committee can continue its service in support of the Council's environmental goals.

Fiscal Considerations

N/A

Racial Equity Considerations

We do not anticipate that this action will disproportionately impact any particular group.

Attachments and Links

- Draft Resolution Providing for Appointments to the Committee on the Environment

Introduced by:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**RESOLUTION 2018-
PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENTS
TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 2012-37, the City Council redefined and reestablished the Committee on the Environment to serve as an important partner and advisor in matters related to environmental sustainability, protection, and restoration; and

WHEREAS, the Committee is to be composed of 11-15 members appointed to staggered two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, there are currently four vacancies on the Committee and four members whose terms expired on June 30; and

WHEREAS, Hellen Gelband (Ward 3) and Geoffrey Short (Ward 4) have applied for reappointment; and

WHEREAS, Kopal Jha (Ward 2) and Andrew Stilton (Ward 1) have applied to fill vacancies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that all are qualified candidates for service on the Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT the following individuals are hereby appointed or reappointed to serve on the Committee on the Environment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Ward</u>	<u>Term Expiration</u>
Hellen Gelband	3	June 30, 2020
Kopal Jha	2	June 30, 2020
Geoffrey Short	4	June 30, 2020
Andrew Stilton	1	June 30, 2020

Adopted this ___ day of _____, 2018.

ATTEST:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk