



# **CITY OF SALINAS**

## **COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** JANUARY 9, 2024

**DEPARTMENT:** ADMINISTRATION

**FROM:** KIMBLEY CRAIG, MAYOR

**BY:** PATRICIA M. BARAJAS, CITY CLERK

**TITLE:** CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES/REGIONAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve the committees/regional board appointments for 2024.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Annually, and following an election, the Mayor is required to make appointments to the City Council subcommittees and regional boards on which the City is represented. In January 2023, the City Council directed staff to annually ratify the appointments by action of the Council. This report is intended to present the City Council with the list of appointments for ratification. Appointment shall be made during the first meeting in January to ensure timely appointments and representation on all boards and committees.

BACKGROUND:

On January 10, 2023, the City Council requested the Mayor's appointments to City Committees/Regional Board be ratified by the Council annually. Pursuant to Salinas City Code Section 2-1, Rule 2(c), the Mayor may make appointments to the Council Subcommittees and Regional Boards upon assuming office at a City Council meeting. Additionally, Section A.3 of the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order of Business, City Council Resolution 20742, also allows the Mayor to appoint City Council members to regional board or other legislative bodies on which the City Council is represented. Practice has been for the Mayor to consult with Councilmembers before making any changes in appointments.

On December 2022, Councilmembers Sandoval and Rocha further requested Council consider changes to Salinas Municipal Code and the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order of Business as they relate to the Mayor's appointment authority, City Council meeting time, and the reestablishment of the Council Rules/Decorum Committee. The Council Rules/Decorum Committee comprised of Councilmember McShane and Sandoval met in the Spring of 2023 and recommended such changes which may only be done by an amendment to the Municipal Code and

Resolution 20742. The Committee’s recommended changes will be scheduled for future Council consideration and will depend on the timing of any follow-up to City Council Strategic Planning process or as an independent Consideration item at an upcoming regular session of Council. Said item would also focus on Council norms and decorum.

Attached are the recommended appointments for 2024 as presented by Mayor Craig for Council approval. Also attached is Exhibit C – Regional Board Compensation and Exhibit D – Regional Board Attendance for reference.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

**Not a Project.** The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This report aligns with the City Council’s goal of Effective and Culturally Responsive Government (City of Salinas Strategic Plan 2022-2025) by ensuring the city is represented in and working collaboratively on City/County-wide regional boards.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

The Mayor and the City Clerk coordinated on this Report.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact related to the City of Salinas committees/regional board appointments.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Exhibit A – Council Appointments 2024 by Member
- Exhibit B – Committee/Regional Board Appointments List
- Exhibit C – Regional Board Compensation
- Exhibit D – 2023 Attendance