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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer

County Executive Office

REPORT BY: Nadine Willoughby, Administrative Support Technician - 253-4595

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Napa County Child Care Planning Council

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests appointment of Lola Cornish-Nickens to the Napa County Child Care Planning Council in the category of At Large representative with the term of office to commence immediately and expire June 30, 2015.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are six (6) vacancies on the Napa County Child Care Planning Council due to four (4) resignations, one (1) term expiration and one (1) ongoing vacancy. The County Executive Office advertised for the open positions and received one (1) application from Lola Cornish-Nickens for the At Large representative on the council. The Executive Steering Committee of the Napa County Child Care Planning Council, which has responsibility for Board organization and recruitment, reviewed the application received from Lola Cornish-Nickens and recommends the applicant for appointment with the term to commence immediately and expire June 30, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Due to four (4) resignations, one (1) term expiration and one (1) ongoing vacancy, there are currently six (6) vacancies on the Napa County Child Care Planning Council. The County Executive Office advertised for the vacancies and received one (1) application from Lola Cornish-Nickens for the category of At Large member. Ms. Cornish-Nickens has been a valued member of the council since 2003 representing the category of Consumer. Ms. Cornish-Nickens no longer meets the criteria for the Consumer category and therefore is applying for the At Large member seat on the council. The Executive Steering Committee of the Child Care Planning Council is recommending appointment per the attached letter of support.

The purpose of the Council is to assess Napa County child care needs and develop plans to address those needs. The Council is committed to the belief that all children in Napa County have the right to experience a safe, healthy and nurturing childhood with equal access to community services and support. The Council shall collaborate to foster public and private partnerships to maximize family and child development resources through coordination and collaboration. The Napa County Child Care Planning Council was created by resolution of the Board of Supervisors on February 10, 1998 to consist of twenty (20) members. Ten (10) members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors and ten (10) are appointed by the Napa County Superintendent of Schools. The composition must include:

- 20% Consumers of Child Care parents or persons who receive, or who have received within the past 36 months, child care services.
- 20% Child Care Providers persons who provide child care services or represent persons who provide child care services, reflective of the range of child care providers in the county.
- 20% Public Agency Representatives person who represent a city, county, city and county, or local education agency.
- 20% Community Representatives persons who represent an agency or business that provides private
 funding for child care services, or who advocates for child care services through participation in civic or
 community based organizations but are not child care providers and do not represent and agency that
 contracts with the California Department of Education to provide child care and development services.
- 20% At Large members persons from any of the above categories or outside of these categories at the discretion of the appointing agencies.

The County Executive Office will continue to recruit for the remaining five (5) vacancies of one (1) Child Care Provider, one (1) Consumer, one (1) Public Agency representative, one (1) Community representative, and one (1) At Large representative.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. Lola Cornish-Nickens Application
- B. Napa County Child Care Planning Council Recommendation Letter

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Danny Nguyen