



# CITY OF HAYWARD

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**DATE:** April 11, 2023

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Clerk

### **SUBJECT**

Council Vacancy and Appointment: Adopt a Resolution Appointing a Candidate to Fill a Two-Year Term City Council Vacancy or Consider Alternative Options for Filling the Vacancy

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council reviews the remaining candidates from the January interview process and adopts a resolution (Attachment II) appointing one of the three remaining candidates to fill the unexpired term of Council Member Elisa Márquez; or directs staff to pursue one of the alternative options outlined in this report, including calling for a Special Election if the appointment process is unsuccessful.

### **SUMMARY**

In February 2023, Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle tragically passed away. Following his sudden passing, the County Board of Supervisors conducted a recruitment, interview, and selection process. Council Member Elisa Márquez submitted her application for the vacancy and on March 30, was selected to fill the vacant District Two Supervisor position until the next election. She was sworn in on April 4, 2023, leaving a vacancy in her City Council seat that the Council will need to fill within the next 30 days. Following the November 2022 General Municipal Election, the City conducted an extensive outreach and interview process to fill the vacant Council seat created when Mark Salinas was elected Mayor. The Council appointed Dan Goldstein to fill that vacancy. There are three remaining candidates that the Council interviewed in January 2023 that are still interested in the vacancy at this time. Staff recommends reconsidering these three candidates and selecting one to fill Council Member Elisa Márquez' vacant City Council seat. Alternatively, Council could direct staff to conduct a new outreach and recruitment effort to allow the Council to interview and appoint a candidate in the next 30 days or to call for a Special Election if the appointment process is unsuccessful.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I      Staff Report  
Attachment II      Resolution