

# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

### January 18, 2017

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Michele Gardner, Town Clerk *MG*

**SUBJECT:** Interview and appointment of applicant to the Affordable Housing Committee

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#### RECOMMENDATION

Interview and appoint Lisel Blash to the Affordable Housing Committee for a full 4-year term.

#### DISCUSSION

The Affordable Housing Committee, according to its founding resolution, "... shall consist of least three citizens who reside within Fairfax and two Council Members." It currently has only two Fairfax citizens (in addition to Councilmember Coler and Vice Mayor Lacques). It meets on an as needed basis.

Ms. Blash, a Fairfax resident, has attended several of the Affordable Housing Committee meetings.

#### ATTACHMENT

Application

AGENDA ITEM # 1



Briefly describe your employment background. 15 years at SFSU Public Research Institute as senior project coordinator managing public sector research projects; 6 years with UCSF conducting research on health workforce issues (social science)

What is your vision for the Town of Fairfax? Fairfax should strive to retain its small town character, which includes preserving its historic buildings and open space - but also its human community of artists, musicians, renters, low-wage and working class households.

Please describe possible areas of conflict of interest. N/A

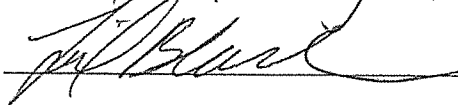
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Briefly explain your interest in serving on this Board, Commission, or Committee. \_\_\_\_\_

Communities in Marin and elsewhere have embraced their lower-wage and middle-income members & worked together to preserve housing & resources. Fairfax can study and emulate the best these communities have done to combat displacement & retain an inclusive community spirit. I'm invested in looking at innovative solutions to the housing crisis because our mix of local "characters" is what makes Fairfax unique.

Signature



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**Town Clerk, Town of Fairfax, 142 Bolinas Road, Fairfax, CA 94930**

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