



# City of La Quinta

**CITY / SA / HA / FA MEETING DATE:** January 21, 2014

**AGENDA CATEGORY:**

**ITEM TITLE:** EXCUSE COMMISSIONER ROBERT WRIGHT'S ABSENCE FROM THE JANUARY 14, 2014, PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

**BUSINESS SESSION:**

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** 7

**STUDY SESSION:**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

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## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve a request from Commissioner Robert Wright to be excused from the January 14, 2014 Planning Commission meeting.

## **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

Commissioner Wright requested to be excused from the January 14, 2014, Planning Commission meeting due to being out of the area for a work-related commitment. The Municipal Code does not allow a member to be absent from two consecutive regular meetings or three scheduled meetings within a fiscal year without causing his/her office to become vacant. A request may be made for Council to excuse a commission member's absence after-the-fact, for extenuating circumstances, and the absence would then not be counted toward the limitation on absences. Commissioner Wright has had no other absences during this fiscal year and staff recommends this absence be excused by Council.

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

Deny Commissioner Wright's request to be excused. Denial of the request would result in the absence being counted toward his limitation on absences as noted above.

Report prepared by: Les Johnson, Community Development Director  
Report approved for submission by: Frank J. Spevacek, City Manager

