

City of La Quinta

CITY / SA/ HA/ FA MEETING DATE: September 16, 2014

ITEM TITLE: EXCUSE MEETING ABSENCES FOR PLANNING COMMISSIONERS BLUM AND FITZPATRICK AND INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD

MEMBER DONAIS

AGENDA CATEGORY:

BUSINESS SESSION:

CONSENT CALENDAR: 3

STUDY SESSION:

PUBLIC HEARING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve requests from Planning Commissioner Blum to be excused for July 22, 2014, and Planning Commissioner Fitzpatrick for August 26, 2014 Planning Commission Meetings, and Advisory Board Member Donais for the September 10, 2014 Investment Advisory Board Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- Commissioners Blum and Fitzpatrick requested to be excused from the July 22 and August 26, 2014 (respectively) Planning Commission meetings due to being out of the area for personal matters. They have had no other absences during this fiscal year and staff recommends the absences be excused.
- Board Member Donais requested to be excused from the September 10, 2014, Investment Advisory Board meeting due to being out of the area for personal matters. She has had no other absences during this fiscal year and staff recommends the absence be excused.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Compensation for meeting attendance is not paid to absent members.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

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 commission/board member may request advance permission from the Council to be absent at one or more regular meetings

due to extenuating circumstances, and/or may request Council to excuse an absence after-the-fact where such extenuating circumstances prevented the member from seeking advance permission to be absent.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council may deny any individual request, which would result in the absence being counted toward the commissioner/board member's limitation on absences as noted above.

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