

Midcoast Community Council

A Municipal Advisory Council to the
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
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Hon. Ruben Barrales, President
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
County Government Center
401 Marshall Street
Redwood City, CA 94063

re: Vacancy on Midcoast Community Council

Dear Supervisor Barrales,

Sally Campbell, an elected member of our Council whose term expires in 1997, resigned from the Midcoast Community Council at our meeting on 14 February 1996. Applications for candidates to fill this vacancy will be accepted until the end of March. Under the provisions of the Council's Bylaws, Article II, Section 2.05(b) (see attached), the Council will hold public interviews of candidates at its regularly scheduled meeting on 10 April 1996, and then, after allowing a period for comment from community members who watch Council proceedings on MCTV (local cable channel 6), make a decision on 24 April.

The Council would like to avoid the public embarrassment to the Board of Supervisors resulting from the manner in which the last Council appointment was contested. Therefore, at our 28 February meeting, the Council voted unanimously to invite the Board of Supervisors to appoint a committee of two of your members to attend the 10 April meeting and participate in the interview process along with local community members, in the area to be represented; and also to attend our 24 April meeting to contribute their comments and observations to the Council before the Council votes to make its decision.

The Council recognizes the requirements of your Resolution 55042, that "All Council elections shall follow state general election procedures, that is, they shall be administered by the County Clerk according to the uniform district election law and subject to state conflict of interest regulations," and that confirmation of the selected appointee is a function of the Board of Supervisors. Your Board's early participation in the interviewing and selection process in the local community should avoid the necessity to have a lengthy re-hearing before the full Board in Redwood City, as occurred for the previous vacancy.

Sincerely,

Chris McComb, Chair

Paul Perkovic, Councilmember