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BETHESDA DOWNTOWN SECTOR PLAN, IMPLEMENTATION

ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Description

The Bethesda Downtown Plan Implementation Advisory Committee (IAC) advises Staff on the progress of implementation of the recommendations in the Approved and Adopted *Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan*. The IAC is made up of up to seven representatives each from the business community and residents of downtown Bethesda. Staff recommends the Planning Board appoint one new member to a standard three-year term.

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2017 Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan



 Appoint one new member to the Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan Implementation Advisory Committee (IAC) to a three-year term.

SECTION 1: BACKGROUND

As outlined in the *Approved and Adopted Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan*, in 2017 the Planning Department created a representative and balanced Implementation Advisory Committee (IAC) to coordinate and monitor the progress of development and address implementation of the recommendations in the Approved and Adopted *Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan*.

The IAC is made up of up to seven representatives each from the business community and residents of downtown Bethesda. The Planning Board appoints members to serve three-year terms. Members are eligible for reappointment upon completion of their terms and may self-nominate. Members may serve two full consecutive terms. Members are selected by representatives from the Planning Department, Bethesda Urban Partnership, Bethesda Regional Services Center, and Bethesda Green as outlined in the Rules of Procedure.

The Planning Board appointed the initial 14-member IAC in December 2017.

SECTION 2: CANDIDATE

The selection committee and Planning Staff are recommending that the Planning Board appoint one new member to fill the vacant business seat: Andrew Saul, Vice President of B. F. Saul Company, to a three-year term. Letter of Interest is attached.

SECTION 3: LIST OF RECOMMENDED COMMITTEE MEMBER

Property Owner / Business Owner Representative

1. Andrew Saul, Vice President, B. F. Saul Company (first 3-year term)

Andrew Saul grew up in the Bethesda area and has been working in commercial real estate in downtown Bethesda since 2011. Saul Centers and affiliates owns several properties in downtown Bethesda, one of which is currently under construction next to Bethesda's future purple line station.

ATTACHMENTS

A. IAC Letter of Interest