



TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

DATE: February 5, 2008

**SUBJECT: INTERVIEWS FOR CONCORD'S PLANNING COMMISSION**

**Report in Brief**

Interviews to fill two openings on the Concord Planning Commission are scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5, 2008, in the Garden Conference Room, City Manager's Wing. There are two openings on the Planning Commission for two-year terms ending February 28, 2010 due to the expiring terms of Bill Brumley and Gene Sylls. The terms of members Kevin Costa, Richard Jensen, and Ron Leone do not expire until February 28, 2009.

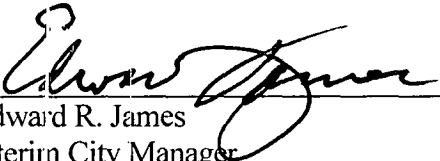
**Background**

The special recruitment was announced on September 11, 2007, setting October 12, 2007 as the deadline for receipt of applications to fill an unscheduled vacancy created when Guy Bjerke was appointed to the City Council to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Councilmember Michael Chavez. A press release announcing the openings and the recruitment period was distributed to the media and various agencies. Interviews with nine applicants were conducted on November 14, 2007 and the Council appointed Ron Leone to the Planning Commission on November 27, 2007. The applicants who applied and interviewed for the unscheduled vacancy but were not appointed were advised that their applications would be considered for the annual recruitment without further interview.

The annual recruitment for the two expiring positions was announced on November 6, 2007, setting January 4, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. as the deadline for receipt of applications. A press release announcing the openings was distributed to the media and various agencies and neighborhood groups. At the close of recruitment period, the City Clerk's office had received five additional applications, including an application from one of the incumbents, Gene Sylls.

Interviews with the five candidates have been scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m., prior to the regular Council meeting. Applicants will begin interviews prior to the regular joint meeting. Interviews will continue following the meeting, if necessary. Appointments are scheduled for the Council meeting of February 12, 2008.

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Attachment: Planning Commission Applicants Summary

**Planning Commission**

Members: 5  
 Openings: 2  
 Term: Two Years

**Applicants**

Membership  
 Requirements: Residents of Concord who hold no other municipal office in the City of Concord.

Name	Occupation
Teresa Lynn Castle - ***	Sticker Designer
Nikolaus (Nik) D. Chanda - ***	VP, Prof. Services
Elsa L. Davidson	Retired
Robert Hoag - ***	Retired Account Mgr.
David W. Hopkins	Director of Architecture
Larry Huddleson - ***	Retired
Charles E. Rogers	Store Owner (Retired)
Carolina Salazar - ***	R. Polanco Housing Fellow
Steven Smith - ***	Admin. Svc. Officer
* Gene Sylls	Computer Network Administrator
Chris Tang - Withdrew Application	Retired
Susan L. Walls - ***	Executive Director, Natl Fin Info Sys
William H. Washington	Asst VP-Marketing
Harmon C. West - ***	Marketing Director

\*\*\* - Previously interviewed on November 14, 2007

\* - Incumbent

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