

Consent Agenda

Agenda Item #	5C
Meeting Date	October 28, 2013
Prepared By	Jessie Carpenter City Clerk
Approved By	Brian T. Kenner City Manager

Discussion Item	Providing for Appointments to a Recognition Task Force
Background	<p>At the present time, the City does not have a systematic way for residents and others to be honored or memorialized by the City Council or the community. The City Council held two work sessions in the spring of 2012 to discuss ideas for how best to develop a recognition program or programs. At the work session, there was Council support for appointing a group of residents to an ad hoc committee to propose specific ideas for Council consideration.</p> <p>The opportunity to apply for appointment has been advertised. Three residents have expressed interest: Howard Kohn (Ward 3), Diana Kohn (Ward 3), and Richard O'Connor (Ward 1).</p> <p>Staff has drafted a resolution to establish the Recognition Task Force. As drafted, the resolution contemplates that the Task Force will provide a report and make recommendations to the City Council by March 31, 2014. The Task Force will be discharged at that point unless its term is extended by the City Council.</p>
Policy	Create and maintain a livable community that is vibrant, healthy and safe . . . <i>Strategic Plan 2010-2015</i>
Fiscal Impact	To be determined
Attachments	Draft Resolution
Recommendation	Adopt the resolution.
Special Consideration	

Introduced by:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**RESOLUTION 2013-
ESTABLISHING A RECOGNITION TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP PROPOSALS FOR
COUNCIL RECOGNITION OF THOSE WHO HAVE MADE VALUABLE
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TAKOMA PARK COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park is privileged to have residents and others who serve the community in a variety of ways to help make Takoma Park a wonderful place to live; and

WHEREAS, these individuals share their time and skills, volunteer, mentor, lead, advocate, and set an example for others in Takoma Park and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish a program or programs that recognize and memorialize these contributions in a variety of ways; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that this recognition reflects the spirit and interests of the Takoma Park community, the City Council wishes to establish an ad hoc committee to propose ideas for the Council's consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, THAT:

1. The following individuals are hereby appointed to serve on a Recognition Task Force:

Diana Kohn (Ward 3)

Howard Kohn (Ward 3)

Richard O'Connor (Ward 1).

2. The Recognition Task Force shall develop a proposal or proposals to include a variety of options to recognize and memorialize those who make valuable contributions to the community.

3. The Task Force should look at examples from other municipalities and review existing recognition programs in the community (for example, the Azalea Awards) as it develops its proposals.

4. The Task Force shall present its recommendations to the City Council on or before March 31, 2014.

5. Once the proposals are presented to the City Council, the Committee shall be discharged unless its term is extended by resolution of the Council.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk