

Committee: Planning & Community Development Analyst: Ryan Countryman

ECAF: 2023-0875

Consideration:

Motion 23-316 would appoint Mathew Loverink to the Airport Commission to partial first term expiring on January 31, 2024, as a Council District 5 representative.

Background

This Nomination: The prior Council District 5 representative on the Airport Commission recently vacated their position. Consistent with Chapter 2.03 SCC, and following consultation with Councilmember Low, the County Executive has nominated Mathew Loverink to complete the vacant partial term. The County Council has authority to make the appointment. Mathew Loverink is a retired Navy officer who currently works as a helicopter ambulance pilot for Air Methods Corporation. He is a resident of Council District 5 and is well-qualified to serve on the commission.

About the Commission: The Airport Commission is a volunteer advisory body to the County Executive. Ordinance 17-003 established the current commission (an earlier version of the commission had existed and was disbanded). Membership is composed of 13 individuals in the following positions:

- One member from each of the five Council Districts
- Three members from the airport tenant community
- Three members from the business community
- Two members from the county at large.

Chapter 2.03 SCC allows members to serve three consecutive terms of four years. SCC 15.04.030 provides the commission authority to advise the Executive on the following matters:

- (1) Review and recommend updates to the airport master plan;
- (2) Review and recommend changes to the airport capital improvement program and capital facilities plan;
- (3) Review and recommend an annual airport budget;
- (4) Provide a community perspective on airport operations;
- (5) Review and recommend strategies for airport noise reduction;
- (6) Review appeals of enforcement procedures under SCC 15.08.651 and recommend outcomes;

Current Proposal: Motion 23-316 would appoint Mathew Loverink to the Airport Commission.

Handling: Normal

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Request: Move to General Legislative Session August 23 for consideration.