

City of Calistoga

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Susan Sneddon, City Clerk
DATE: December 7, 2010
SUBJECT: Napa County Local Foods Advisory Council

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:


 William C. Norton, Interim City Manager

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- 1 **ISSUE:** Consideration of a Resolution confirming the Mayor's recommendation for appointment
 2 to the newly created Napa County Local Foods Advisory Council.
- 3 **RECOMMENDATION:** Confirm recommendation and adopt Resolution.
- 4 **DISCUSSION:** The County of Napa has created a new advisory board to advise the
 5 Agricultural Commissioner and Board of Supervisors on the development and promotion of a
 6 sustainable local food system in Napa County. This newly created body will be made up of
 7 representatives from the public and private sector, and will require representation from the
 8 incorporated cities and town throughout the County of Napa.
- 9 The makeup of this commission will consist of one member of the Board of Supervisors, five
 10 representatives from incorporated cities (and town), three representatives from the field of
 11 agriculture, one individual from the public health or nutrition field, one individual representing
 12 "institutions", one individual in the field of marketing and/or distribution of agricultural products,
 13 and three representatives from the community at large. Terms are for four years.
- 14 The County wishes to move quickly and hopes to bring the matter before the Board of
 15 Supervisors to confirm appointments later this month, and set the first meeting of the newly
 16 created Local Food Advisory Council to January 15, 2011.
- 17 An advertisement for these positions was placed on the City's website, and posted in the display
 18 cases around town. At the closing date for applications to be submitted, an application was
 19 received from Mr. Lynn Brown to represent the City.
- 20 **FISCAL IMPACT:** None.
- 21 **ATTACHMENTS:**
- 22 1. Napa County Press Release
 23 2. Draft Resolution
 24 3. Application



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Nov. 5, 2010

Applicants Sought for Napa County Local Food Advisory Council

Deadline Extended to Dec. 17

(NAPA, Calif.--) The County Executive Officer announces openings on the newly created Local Foods Advisory Council. The Napa County Local Food Advisory Council will advise the Agricultural Commissioner and Board of Supervisors regarding the development and promotion of a sustainable local food system and help set priorities, plan and implement initiatives to improve the environmental, economic and social sustainability of food production in Napa County.

The Napa County Local Food Advisory Council will be composed of fifteen (15) members, appointed by the County of Napa Board of Supervisors, including representatives of agriculture, public and private institutions, health and nutrition, community advocates, the incorporated cities and towns and unincorporated portion of Napa County. Appointed members may establish working subcommittees with other community members as needed to achieve the goals established by the Council including, but not limited to, creating greater local food security, increased agricultural diversity and more reliable markets for small-scale farmers.

Napa County Local Food Advisory Council members will be appointed to serve four-year terms, although some initial appointments may be for a shorter period of time

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to stagger the terms on the Council and provide for greater consistency of membership over time. The Napa County Local Food Advisory Council will have four regular meetings scheduled quarterly per year and may hold special meetings as needed. Additional time outside of regular meetings may include work on sub-committee assignments, but would be at the discretion of the individual member and the time commitment they are willing to make. Residents of Napa County who possess knowledge of or experience in local food production, sustainable farming practices, diet and nutrition or the retail food industries, and are interested in making a significant contribution to the purpose of the Napa County Local Food Advisory Council, are highly encouraged to submit an application for possible appointment by the Board of Supervisors. Applications may be found at the www.countyofnapa.org.

The County Executive Officer announces the following openings on the Napa County Local Food Advisory Council with terms of office to commence immediately:

- One (1) representative from the Board of Supervisors**
- Five (5) representatives from the incorporated cities/town**
- Three (3) representatives from agriculture**
- One (1) individual representing public health and/or nutrition**
- One (1) individual representing institutions**
- One (1) individual representing marketing and/or distribution of agricultural products**
- Three (3) representatives from the community at large**

Anyone interested in consideration for appointment must submit a completed application form and apply either through the above listed coordinating agency/organization or directly to the County Executive Office, 1195 Third Street, Suite

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310, Napa, CA 94559, telephone (707) 253-4421 **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 17, 2010.** The application form is available on the Napa County website at www.countyofnapa.org. Go to the main County page and click on the Committees and Commissions link in the left-hand navigation under County Info. You may submit your application directly online by clicking "application for appointment" and follow the applications instructions.

The Board of Supervisors and staff of Napa County are dedicated to preserving and sustaining Napa County for present and future generations as a community with generous open space, a thriving agricultural industry and a quality human and natural environment. Visit us on the Web at www.countyofnapa.org.

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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (Complete pages 1 through 3)

*Application for Appointment to: (Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)

Napa County Local Food Advisory Council

*Category of membership for which you are applying:
*(This information can be found on the news release announcing the opening.
You may apply for more than one category if more than one position is open.)*

Representative for the City of Calistoga

*Supervisorial District in which you reside:

District 3

*Full Name

Lynn Brown

Date

12/3/2010

*Current Occupation (within the last twelve (12) months):

Owner of Forni-Brown Gardens

Current License (Professional or Occupational); Date of issue and/or expiration including status:

n/a

Education/Experience: *(A resume may be attached containing this and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application.)*

30 years owner of organic garden and sales in Napa County

Community participation (nature of activity and community location):

Vegetable growing for restaurants and annual organic plant sale for the public.

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on which you serve/have served:

none

Application for Appointment to: *(Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)***Napa County Local Food Advisory Council**

Names, addresses and phone numbers of three (3) individuals familiar with your background:

*Name

Barney Welsh

*Address

[REDACTED]

*City

Calistoga

*State *Zip Code

CA**94515**

*Telephone

[REDACTED]

*Name

Rose Dunsford

*Address

[REDACTED]

*City

Calistoga

*State *Zip Code

CA**94515**

*Telephone

[REDACTED]

*Name

Ron Goldman

*Address

[REDACTED]

*City

Calistoga

*State *Zip Code

CA**94515**

*Telephone

[REDACTED]

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married (for Conflict of Interest purposes):

Margie Brown

*Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute:

The City of Calistoga requested me to represent the City as a both a business owner and one of the few organic farmers within the city limits. My personal interest on these topic has been ongoing for 30 years. I have advised businesses around the world on establishing organic gardens and selling fresh produce.

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APPLICANTS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN OATH OF OFFICE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPOINTEES MAY BE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND COUNTY CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS.

All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

The following information is provided in confidence to the extent that it will not be posted on the Internet, but may be used by the Board of Supervisors when making the appointment, or be used by the committee/commission/board/task force following appointment for purposes of communicating with the appointee.

Full Name

Lynn Brown

*e-mail Address

[Redacted]

*Home Address

[Redacted]

*Work Address

[Redacted]

*City

Calistoga

State

CA

*Zip Code

94515

*City

Calistoga

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