

July 3, 2007

City Council Meeting
July 10, 2007

Mayor and Members
of the City Council

**APPOINT TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE NEWLY FORMED
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council appoint from among the three remaining applicants to fill two newly created seats on the Emergency Preparedness Advisory Commission for three-year terms ending May 31, 2010. (When initial terms expire, all appointments will be for four years.)

Background:

The Emergency Preparedness Advisory Commission, established by Ordinance No. 07-1277 (adopted February 22, 2007 and effective 30 days later), was initially created to be composed of five residents serving staggered four-year terms. After interviewing the eight applicants, at its meeting of May 22, 2007, the Council appointed five members, leaving it up to the appointees themselves to decide initial term lengths at their first meeting (four-year terms for three members and two-year terms for two members). Also at the May 22 meeting, the Council directed staff to prepare an ordinance to increase the number of Commissioners from five to seven, with the two appointments to be made from among the applicants not chosen.

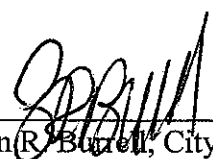
Ordinance No. 07-1383, which expands the Commission from five to seven members, was introduced by the Council on June 12, adopted on June 26, and will take effect 30 days later. Appointment this evening will allow the new members to be seated at the August 6 Commission meeting. For optimal staggered terms on this seven-member Commission, it is recommended that initial appointments for the two new members be for three years (ending May 31, 2010). After the initial terms expire, all Commission terms will be for a full four years. The three applicants (applications attached) are:

Alan B. Benson

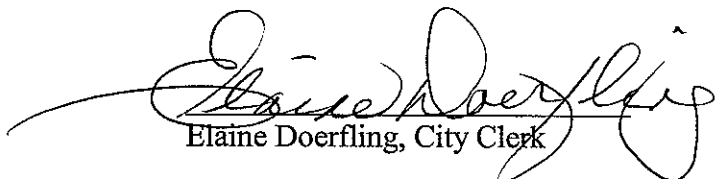
Patricia Ellis

Mayra Janette Padilla

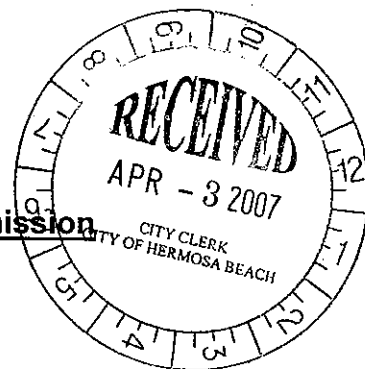
Noted:



Stephen R. Burrell, City Manager


Elaine Doerfling, City Clerk

**CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH
BOARD/COMMISSION APPLICATION**



NAME OF COMMISSION Emergency Preparedness Advisory Commission

Name Alan B. Benson

Home Phone: 310-376-6043

Address: 1924 Monterey Blvd. Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Occupation/Profession: Retired Post Production Supervisor, Video Editor, Video Tape Operator

Name of Employer: Freelance

Bus. Phone:

Address of Employer

REFERENCES:

Local: Kelly Kovac-Reedy and Tracy Hopkins, Co-Coordinator of Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch
Sgt. Tom Thompson of the Hermosa Beach Police Department – HBPD Lead Sgt. for the HBNW
Maureen Ferguson and Laura Raymond - Hermosa Beach Centennial Committee Co-Chairs
Pepe Wolf, Keala Yuen - Hermosa Beach Centennial Committee
Carol Prenter, Marsha Majka, Wayne Halford, Marsha Halford.

Professional: Jon Ankwitz, Executive in Charge of Production – “Extra” NBC
Ann Rogerson, Director – “Passions” NBC, “The Pyramid” Syndicated
Denise Mark, Producer – “Passions” NBC
Steve Vincent, Online Video Editor – “Sightings” Syndicated

Other: _____

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE (past and present):

Co-Coordinator for Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch – From HBNW startup in March 2006.
Volunteer for “Hands for Hermosa” – Funds raised for Hermosa Centennial Celebration
Founder and web administrator for the Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Association
Member of “HermosaCorps” founded by Art Yoon, chaired by Maureen Ferguson and Laura Raymond
Redondo Beach Fire Department – CERT Academy 32 - CERT volunteer / FEMA
Redondo Beach Police Department - Citizen Police Academy - Class 26 - 2007

Why do you wish to become a Commission member?

Hermosa Beach has to be prepared to face any number of emergencies, such as earthquake, tsunami flooding and terrorism. Past disasters such as Katrina, have show that a city’s emergency resources can be quickly overwhelmed. It can take days to organize an effective emergency response to major disasters. Hermosa Beach residents need to prepare to rely on their own resources for an “initial period” of days following a disaster. This “initial period” can be up to a few weeks, as shown by the Katrina disaster.

My participation in the Community Emergency Response Team has shown me that implementing an emergency preparedness plan will require a significant commitment of time by the city, its residents and commission members. As an Emergency Preparedness Commission member, I want to take part in the planning and implementation of the emergency preparedness plan for Hermosa Beach and its residents.

What do you feel are the duties and responsibilities of a Commission member?

A commission member needs to provide advice on emergency preparedness plans that have a proven track record for a city like Hermosa Beach. Promote and communicate the emergency preparedness plans by putting together video and web presentations focused on each family putting together an emergency plan.

CERT training is all about community-based preparedness planning that allows the residents of a city to prepare there homes and families for a disaster. Implement a city wide plan that uses the neighborhood CERT volunteers. Use the CERT model to prepare grant applications for community-base preparedness.

Do you have any current obligations or responsibilities, which could be construed as a conflict of interest with your being a board/commission member? ___ Yes ___ No (If yes, please explain)
No conflicts of interest.

Please give a resume of your education, employment, memberships, past activities and other experience that you feel would qualify you as a Board/Commission member.

Currently in training with the Redondo Beach Police Department - Citizen Police Academy Class 26
This program works toward the concept of Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving. The purpose is to provide members of the community with a working knowledge of the police department along with the roles and responsibilities of its police officers. The graduates provide an informed community base for the partnership between the community and the police department. SEMS / NIMS training.

Completed CERT Academy 2006 - Redondo Beach Fire Department – Community Emergency Response Team. Registered as a CERT volunteer with the Redondo Beach Fire Department and FEMA. The CERT concept is based on increasing disaster preparedness awareness within the community by having a core group of trained individuals capable of assisting themselves, their family and their neighbors in the event of a catastrophic disaster. SEMS / NIMS / ICS integration training.

Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch Co-Coordinator, along with Kelly Kovac-Reedy, Tracy Hopkins and Nancy Amato. The mission of Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch is to work with the Hermosa Beach Police Department, Fire Department and City of Hermosa Beach, to actively seek, educate and involve city residents, neighborhoods and communities in "A Partnership in Crime Prevention" through the development of crime awareness, observation skills training and reporting. While also, preparing our community for disaster preparedness for any type of emergency situation that may arise. The HBNW currently has about 87 block captains and have a goal of 400 block captains to cover the entire city.

Work Experience:

Video/TV Production – Post production supervisor, video editor and video tape operator for TV shows.
Real Estate Sales – Sold and listed residential homes in the South Bay.
Industrial Equipment Sales – Sold industrial packaging machinery.
Restaurant Management – Managed a McDonald's restaurant.

Education: B.A. Business Administration – Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio

This Board/Commission meets on _____ at _____ p.m. Do you foresee any scheduling problems that might make you miss meetings? ___ Yes ___ No
No scheduling problems

How long have you lived in Hermosa Beach?

I have lived in Hermosa Beach since 1986. I lived at 1137 First Street, from 1986 to 1991. I moved to 1924 Monterey in 1991 and currently live there.

Comments: _____

Signed: Alan B. Benson

Date: 4/3/07

CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH
BOARD/COMMISSION APPLICATION



NAME OF COMMISSION Emergency Preparedness Advisory

Name Patricia Ellis Home Phone: 310 379-7063

Address: 605 Gould Terrace HB Email: ellishbch@rr.com

Occupation/Profession: General Contracting

Name of Employer Ellis Building Contr Bus. Phone: 310 546-6407

Address of Employer 219 Manhattan Beach Blvd, MB

REFERENCES:

Local: Mr. Sam² Mrs Joanne Edgerton 374-0193

Professional: Mrs Angela Jones, Business Mag, HBCSO 937-58

Other: Mrs Carol Caballero, Principal, Hermosa View 798-168

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE (past and present):

Hermosa Valley PTO Co-President 2001-2003

Hermosa Beach Little League Board Member, Co-President

Why do you wish to become a Commission member?

I'd like to be involved with the City of Hermosa Beach and help maintain its being a great City to reside in.

What do you feel are the duties and responsibilities of a Commission member?

To represent the Community's best interest and in turn, help provide the City with a connection to its population base.

To act as an available & approachable liaison.

Do you have any current obligations or responsibilities, which could be construed as a conflict of interest with your being a board/commission member? ___ Yes No (If yes, please explain)

Please give a resume of your education, employment, memberships, past activities and other experience that you feel would qualify you as a Board/Commission member.

Education: B.A., Washington State University, Recreational Studies
Construction Project Mgmt, Cal State Dominguez Hills.
Employment Ellis Building Contractors, General Contracting, owner 1998-Present
Tapscott, Inc Broadcast Media Analysis, Vice President 1984-1998
Memberships/Activities
Hermosa Valley PTO/Scrip Committee, Board Member, Co-President
Hermosa Beach Little League / Board Member, Co-President
CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for
Foster children in Los Angeles County

This Board/Commission meets on unknown at _____ p.m. Do you foresee any scheduling problems that might make you miss meetings? ___ Yes ___ No

How long have you lived in Hermosa Beach? Since 1988

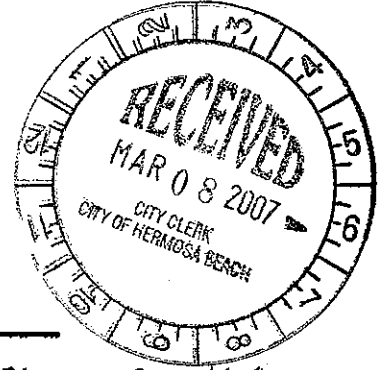
Comments: Thank you for your consideration.

Signed: Patricia S Ellis

Date: May 15, 2007

(Revised 2/14/07)

CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH
BOARD/COMMISSION APPLICATION



NAME OF COMMISSION EPAC

Name Mayra Janette Padilla Home Phone: 310 379-0460

Address: 650 Porter Ln, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254 Email: hazel@_@yahoo.com

Occupation/Profession: Caregiver

Name of Employer Eva Mignon Raquet Bus. Phone: 310 379-7306

Address of Employer 650 Porter Ln, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

REFERENCES:

Local: Tracy Hopkins

Professional: Officer Cliff Dean, RBPD

Other: _____

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE (past and present): _____

Centennial Hands on the Wall volunteer
CERT.

Why do you wish to become a Commission member? _____

To better serve the people of Hermosa Beach

What do you feel are the duties and responsibilities of a Commission member? _____

To provide advice and make recommendations to
the City Council on how the city and the
residents can prepare and respond swiftly and
responsibly to emergencies

Do you have any current obligations or responsibilities, which could be construed as a conflict of interest with your being a board/commission member? Yes No (If yes, please explain)

Please give a resume of your education, employment, memberships, past activities and other experience that you feel would qualify you as a Board/Commission member.

CERT training and certified. (2006)

This Board/Commission meets on _____ at _____ p.m. Do you foresee any scheduling problems that might make you miss meetings? Yes No

How long have you lived in Hermosa Beach? Seven years

Comments: Thank you for your consideration.

Signed: Maya Jareta
Date: 3/2/07

(Revised 2/14/07)