



# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

June 1, 2016

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Michele Gardner, Town Clerk *MG*

**SUBJECT:** Interview and appointment of youth applicant to the Open Space Committee

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### RECOMMENDATION

Interview and appoint Lily Williams as a Youth Member on the Fairfax Open Space Committee ("FOSC").

### DISCUSSION

Lily Williams submitted her application for the Fairfax Open Space Committee and has attended a meeting. The Council may recall that her interview was on last month's agenda, but had to be pulled due a scheduling conflict.

FOSC is unanimous and enthusiastic in their support of Ms. Williams' appointment. In fact, FOSC requests that the Council appoint her to one of the two regular, non-youth vacancies on the Committee, instead of the youth vacancy. There are essentially three differences between a regular member and a youth member (not including the age difference):

1. a regular member can vote; a youth member cannot vote;
2. a regular member counts towards a quorum; a youth member does not;
3. a regular term is 3 years; a youth term is one year.

The practice of the Council has been to appoint applicants under age 18 to a youth position on a board or committee. While there is nothing in the Town Code or Town Council resolutions that specifically prohibits the Council from filling a regular vacancy with a youth, the posted Notice of Vacancy states: "Applicants must be at least 18 years old and reside in the 94930 zip code."

Staff is recommending Ms. Williams' appointment as a youth member for the time being, pending legal counsel research regarding whether appointment of a youth to a regular (voting) position is allowed under state law.

### ATTACHMENT

Application

AGENDA ITEM # 2



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TO: Mayor and Fairfax Town Council

Date: 4/19/16

Please consider this as an application for appointment to:

- Affordable Housing Committee
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
- Climate Action Committee
- General Plan Implementation Committee
- Measure J Oversight Committee
- Open Space Committee (youth member)
- Planning Commission
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Tree Committee
- Volunteer Board
- Youth Commission
- Marin Commission on Aging Representative

(Your completed application will become a public record upon submittal to the Town)

Name: LILY WILLIAMS

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Office) NONE Home/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years in Fairfax: 1

Education Sir Francis Drake High School

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Please list the names of professional societies, clubs, and other organizations to which you belong.

NONE.  
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Briefly describe your employment background. Have had various internships and babysitting jobs.

What is your vision for the Town of Fairfax? I hope to aid in making Fairfax a healthy, happy place and doing so by creating an environmentally-friendly habitat.

Please describe possible areas of conflict of interest. None.

Briefly explain your interest in serving on this Board, Commission, or Committee. Upholding environmental values in our community is something that I'm very passionate about, so I'd love the opportunity to help out and prove myself.

Signature S. Williams

**Please return this completed, signed form to:**

**Town Clerk, Town of Fairfax, 142 Bolinas Road, Fairfax, CA 94930**

**05/15**