Council Meeting: 03/09/2011
Agenda: Review Current Membership
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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Kathi Anderson, City Clerk
Tracey Dunlap, Director, Finance and Administration

Date: March 2, 2011

Subject: Annual Review of Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Membership

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council re-appoint the membership of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to terms ending March 31, 2012. Two seats are now vacant and recruitment to fill them is underway. The current members are:

Representing hoteliers (3 seats)
Jac Cooper, Controller, Woodmark Hotel, Yacht Club & Spa
Ryan Noel, General Manager, Courtyard by Marriott Hotel

Representing businesses (3 seats)
Kathryn McNeill, Argosy Cruises
Daniel Mayer, Executive Director, Kirkland Performance Center

Council also selects a Councilmember to serve as Chair of the Committee. The present Chair is Deputy Mayor Penny Sweet.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

Ordinance 3798, which created the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, establishes the membership of the LTAC and requires the City Council to review the membership annually. The purpose of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee is to perform the functions described in RCW 67.28.1817 and KMC Chapter 5.19, and to be an ongoing advisory committee to the Kirkland City Council as to the use of the lodging tax fund revenue for tourism promotion. Membership of the LTAC is comprised of seven voting members appointed annually by City Council of which one shall be a city council member, three members shall be representatives of businesses required to collect tax under this chapter (hotels/motels) and three members shall be persons involved in activities authorized to be funded by, that benefit from the expenditure of, revenue from the lodging tax fund.

c: Ellen Miller-Wolfe, Economic Development Manager