



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Dennis Quinn, Director of Library Services

**Via:** Jessica Carpenter, Director of Community Experiences

**Date:** February 28, 2023

**Reference:** Consider approval of accepting the resignation of Sekhar Katkam from the Library Advisory Board and appointing alternate member, Carly Brenner, to a regular member for the remainder of the unexpired term; and appointing Sandra Johnson to an alternate member to fill the unexpired term.

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### Introduction:

The purpose of this agenda item is for the City Council to appointment individuals to fill two potential vacancies on Library Advisory Board. On February 9, 2023, Board member Sekhar Katkam submitted his resignation from the Library Advisory Board, which leaves one unexpired term for a voting member and potentially one unexpired term for the alternate positions.

### Background:

Sekhar Katkam was appointed in December 2021 to serve a two-year term as a voting member on the Library Advisory Board. In his notice of resignation, Mr. Katkam indicated he had recently changed employers, and that the travel schedule of his new role will preclude him from participating effectively as a board member, even with accommodations for virtual attendance.

Carly Brenner was appointed to a two-year term for an alternate position in December 2021. The Board liaison recommends moving Ms. Brenner to the regular position to replace Mr. Katkam.

Sandra Johnson was originally interviewed for the Library Advisory Board in the fall of 2022 and placed on an eligibility list. The City Council representatives who participated in the original interview process are in agreement that Sandra Johnson is the best candidate to fill the alternate member vacancy at this time.

**Benefit to the Community:**

Moving Ms. Brenner into Mr. Katkam's position and appointing Sandra Johnson as an alternate member will ensure there are an adequate number of regular voting members on the Library Advisory Board.

**Legal Review:**

Item does not need legal review.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact related to this agenda item.

**Recommendation:**

The Community Experiences Department recommends approval of this item.