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City Council to Interview Candidates for Vacant Council Seat

Beverly Hills, Calif – The Beverly Hills City Council will interview up to 24 candidates who have applied for appointment to a vacant City Council seat. The interviews will take place starting at 11 a.m. on Tue. May 31 in City Council Chamber. The public meeting will be broadcast live on the City's cable Channel 10 and live-streamed on www.beverlyhills.org.

There will be a public comment period prior to the start of the interview process. After public comment, each candidate will have three minutes for an opening statement. Following each opening statement, councilmembers will ask the candidate three set questions and then ask follow up questions. After all interviews are completed, the City Council will deliberate and appoint the new councilmember.

The questions will be chosen from among those submitted by the public or, if not enough questions are received, by the City Council.

The order in which the candidates will be interviewed will be determined by a random drawing to take place (today) Wed. May 25 at 3 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall. The public is welcome.

The City Council has up to 60 days following the May 3 resignation of former Councilmember William W. Brien to select a replacement councilmember. If no councilmember is selected, a special municipal election would take place as part of the Nov. 8 presidential election. The new councilmember will serve until the March 2017 municipal election.

A list of the 24 candidates and their applications are available at <u>www.beverlyhills.org/candidates</u>.