Housing Authority Advisory Board Appointment: Jennifer Bruno

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Becker is recommending Jennifer Bruno a resident of District 3 to be appointed to the Housing Authority Advisory Board. If appointed Ms. Bruno will serve a term through October 1, 2015 and will be replacing Mary Green whose term has expired.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Jennifer Bruno is employed as the Deputy Director for the Salt Lake City Council Office. Ms. Bruno is interested in the role quality affordable housing plays in creating a sustainable community. She feels that providing housing opportunities for those who find it difficult is a building block to helping them become productive members of the community. She believes diversity is key to creating the quality of life that attracts and keeps citizens who will keep the community strong.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objections to this appointment, please let Amber know by Tuesday, September 28, 2010.

CURRENT COMPOSITION OF HOUSING AUTHORITY ADVISORY BOARD:

Housing Authority commissioners are not required to reside within Salt Lake City. Current commissioners include: Chairman David Mansell, Utah Homes; Commissioner George "Buzz" Welch, University of Utah; Commissioner Philip Bernal, SL County Department of Public Works; Commissioner Mary Green, Calvary Tower/H&R Block; Commissioner Julie Schleck, UBS Financial; and Commissioner Valda Tarbet Salt Lake City Redevelopment Agency.

BOARD STRUCTURE:

The Housing Authority is created and governed in accordance with Utah law. Recently, the Housing Authority by-laws changed. It may now be comprised of seven rather than five commissioners who are appointed to serve five-year terms. The mission of the Housing Authority is to provide low-income housing to Salt Lake City. The Housing Authority can purchase, lease and improve real property; establish and revise rents in its housing projects; and identify unsafe, unsanitary or overcrowded housing within its area of operation.