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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

February 15, 2022

Subject

Consideration of Approval of the Library Commission's recommendation to extend Jing Jing Yang's appointment as the Cupertino Poet Laureate until the end of 2022.

Recommended Action

Adopt resolution No. 22-____ approving the Library Commission's recommendation to extend Jing Jing Yang's appointment as the Cupertino Poet Laureate until the end of 2022.

Discussion

Resolution No. 10-230 designated a Cupertino Poet Laureate program. The Library Commission currently appoints a subcommittee to oversee and administer the program including recruitment.

In 2020, Jing Jing Yang was the finalist selected by the selection committee and approved by the Library Commission to serve as the Cupertino Poet Laureate for 2020 through 2021. City Council adopted resolution 20-023 (Attachment B) to appoint Jing Jing as the Cupertino Poet Laureate for a two-year term.

In 2021, the selection committee advertised and recruited for a new Poet Laureate. Due to the objectives of the program and the application received, the committee recommended to extend the current Poet Laureate's term until the end of 2022. Jing Jing is happy fulfill this role for another year.

This recommendation was presented to the Library Commission for consideration on Wednesday, February 2. The Commission voted unanimously with Commissioner Panda absent to support this recommendation to City Council for approval.

Sustainability Impact

None.

Fiscal Impact

None.

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Attachments:

A – Draft Resolution

B – City Council Resolution No. 20-023