



Agenda Item A.1
CONSENT CALENDAR
Meeting Date: February 17, 2026

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

SUBMITTED BY: Deborah S. Lopez, City Clerk

PREPARED BY: David J. Cutaia, Senior Deputy City Clerk
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SUBJECT: Ratification of Mayoral Appointment of the Isla Vista Community Services District Representative to the City of Goleta Library Advisory Commission

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors' selection of Spencer Brandt to the City of Goleta Library Advisory Commission representing the Isla Vista Community Services District with a term ending June 30, 2029.

BACKGROUND:

The Library Advisory Commission is authorized by Goleta Municipal Code (GMC) Chapter 2.14. The purpose of the Library Advisory Commission shall be to provide advice to staff and the City Council on matters affecting the Goleta Library, representing the interests of the library's patrons by recommending programming and services for the library. Two members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council according to the process established in GMC Chapter 2.14. Three members of the Commission suggested by the County Board of Supervisors shall be appointed by the Mayor to represent the unincorporated service area of the Goleta Valley. Two of the five members must be residents of the unincorporated service area of the Goleta Valley, and one of the three members must be a resident of the Isla Vista Community Services District (IVCSD). The remaining two members must be residents of the City of Goleta. Terms shall be for three years.

On August 5, 2025, Marcos Aguilar, Isla Vista Community Services District member resigned. On January 13, 2026, the Isla Vista Community Services District Board voted to submit the name of Spencer J. Brandt for appointment to the Goleta Valley Library Advisory Commission through June 30, 2029 to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to take action to approve the Isla Vista Community Services District's recommendation.

On February 10, 2026, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors approved the Isla Vista Community Services District's recommendation and suggested to the City of Goleta the appointment of Spencer J. Brandt to the Goleta Valley Library Advisory Commission to represent the Isla Vista Community Services District service area with a term ending June 30, 2029.

DISCUSSION:

Government Code Section 40605 provides that an elected mayor shall make all appointments to all City's boards, commissions and committees, subject to the City Council's approval.

This item provides the Mayor with the opportunity to ratify the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors' selection of Spencer Brandt to the City of Goleta Library Advisory Commission representing the Isla Vista Community Services District with a term ending June 30, 2029.

It is anticipated that in March, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors will consider appointment to two vacant seats for the Unincorporated Library Area. Staff will bring back an item to ratify these those members on a later City Council agenda date.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with ratifying this mayoral appointment other than routine staff time required to prepare this report and the stipends each commissioner receives per commission meeting as established by resolution.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council may decline to ratify the Mayor's appointments. If ratification does not occur, the vacancy will remain unfilled. It should be noted that the Library Advisory Commission does not have a quorum and is unable to hold meetings. The Council may also direct staff to reopen recruitments to seek additional applicants.

APPROVED BY: Robert Nisbet, City Manager