



**To:** City Council & Mayor

**Agenda Item #:** IV. D.

**From:** MJ Lamon, Project Coordinator

**Action**

**Discussion**

**Date:** October 7, 2014

**Information**

**Subject:** Human Services Task Force

### **Action Requested:**

Appoint recommended members to the 2015 Human Services Task Force.

### **Information / Background:**

Each year the City appropriates approximately \$80,000 from its General Fund to pay human services agencies to provide outsourced services to Edina residents. The process for appropriating these funds start with a Council-appointed group called the Human Services Task Force, which is comprised of members of the City's various citizen advisory boards and commissions. The task force is created for this process only, and then it will be dissolved.

The 2015 Human Services Task Force is scheduled to meet on:

- October 15, 2014 from 5:30-8:00 pm to review proposals
- October 29, 2014 from 5:00-9:00 pm to hear presentations from the organizations
- November 5, 2014 from 6:30-9:00 pm to write and approve a funding recommendation to City Council
- November 18, 2014 at 6:00pm to provide recommendation to City Council at work session

Board and Commission Member volunteers:

1. Pat Arseneault, Human Rights and Relations Commission (2013 Human Service Task Force Chair)
2. Courtney Whited, Transportation Commission
3. Louise Segreto, Park Board
4. Joyce Mellom, Heritage Preservation Board

As a result of the high interest in the City's Student Board and Commission positions, the City Council selected several student applicants as alternates to a Board or Commission. In an effort to provide opportunities for these applicants, City Staff asked for interested candidates from this alternate group. In addition to the above list of appointments, City Staff would like to request City Council to appoint two Board and Commission Alternate Student Member volunteers to the Human Services Task Force. The students are:

5. Aanik Lohani
6. Christina Wagner