

Rick Cole

Pasadena, California 91104

October 1, 2024

Honorable Mayor Victor Gordo
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91109

Dear Honorable Mayor:

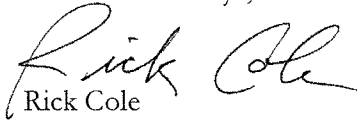
As you know, I will be sworn in as a member of the City Council on December 9th of this year.

It has been my privilege to serve our City as a member of the Planning Commission over the past two and a half years. During that time, the Commission has broadened its focus, taking a wider view of its responsibilities. The leadership of former Chair Mic Hansen has improved our relations with staff and raised the level of analysis and discourse among ourselves and with the public. We've made significant strides in addressing our City's capital needs and affordable housing challenges as well as worked to improve meaningful implementation of the City's planning efforts.

I want to particularly thank the outstanding staff led by Director Jennifer Paige for their consistent professionalism, responsiveness and dedication. I am especially grateful to my Commission colleagues for their thoughtful contributions to our shared efforts. And, of course I appreciate the trust shown by Councilmember Jess Rivas in nominating me to the Commission and am grateful to Councilmember Felicia Williams for making the motion for my appointment.

I will miss serving on the Commission, so it is with regret that I submit my resignation, effective December 6, 2024. I look forward to supporting the staff and the Commission under Chair Carol Hunt-Hernandez in their work during my time on the Council – and joining you, Councilmember Rivas and my former Commission colleague, Councilmember Jason Lyon.

Best wishes always,



Rick Cole

Councilmember-Elect, District 2

cc: Councilmember Jess Rivas
Planning Director Jennifer Paige
Planning Commission Chair Carol Hunt-Hernandez
Administrative Analyst Jana Stewart
District Liaison Margo Morales

Meeting of: 11/18/2024

Agenda Item No. 11

Robles, Sandra

From: Robles, Sandra
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2024 8:54 AM
To: Robles, Sandra
Subject: FW: 11/18 Council agenda

From: Paul Vernon
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 8:05 AM
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Subject: Resignation

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Sherene,

Please convey this email to the CPOC board. I have copied other city entities.

I hereby tender my resignation as a commissioner for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission, effective immediately.

I applied for the Independent Auditor position, expecting that if I were appointed, I could then resign from the commission. However, as I have learned, the application while being a commissioner would qualify as a conflict. It is best that I resign from the commission before it takes up any consideration of the IPA applicants.

I feel my background and skills would better serve the city as the independent auditor than as a commissioner, if I am lucky enough to be appointed.

I consider it an honor to have been nominated by Councilwoman Williams, and I appreciate the support of the City Council who confirmed me.

Paul Vernon

November 13, 2024

cc: City Attorney; Police Chief; Councilwoman William; Councilman-elect Cole