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And then there were five (planning commissioners)

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The latest appointment to Lafayette's Planning Commission is Anna Radonich, an environmental planner, bringing the total commissioners back up to five.

Radonich was appointed to the commission in a unanimous vote by the Lafayette City Council at its May 29 meeting. The 31-year resident of Lafayette works for Stantec Consulting Services and has 15 years of experience in environmental remediation, land use planning and the California Environmental Quality Act. Additionally, Radonich, who has coordinated regulatory reviews and compliance strategies for land use and local development projects in both the public and private sectors, has been active with various Burton Valley and Stanley Middle School events and served on a bench rehabilitation project for the East Bay Regional Park District. Her term ends June 2019.

Just a couple of weeks earlier, Kristina Sturm was appointed at the May 14 city council meeting. An eight-year Lafayette resident, Sturm is an architectural designer and has previously served on the city's Circulation Committee. An architectural graduate of the University of Texas, Sturm has a history of working in design, architecture and project management.

The commission is charged with the development of Lafayette's general plan, implementation of the city's zoning ordinance and review of development applications.

The appointments are being made in the wake of a mass resignation of five commissioners following the adoption of strict conflict of interest policies in March. Gregory Mason, a senior structural plans examiner, was the first appointee following the resignations, as reported in Lamorinda Weekly's May 2 edition.

Radonich, Sturm and Mason join Vice Chair Gary Huisingsh and Commissioner Steven Bliss on the Planning Commission.



Kristina Sturm

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