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TO: City Council Members  
FROM: Office of the Mayor  
DATE: April 9, 2026  
RE: Appointment to the Police Commission

The Mayor's Office respectfully requests City Council consideration for the appointment of Doug Wong to serve on the Police Commission. This appointment is intended to fill a current vacancy and ensure continuity of operations and the uninterrupted performance of the Police Commission's essential functions.

The Police Commission is crucial to the City of Oakland as it oversees the Oakland Police Department to ensure its policies, practices, and customs conform to national standards of constitutional policing. The effective functioning of the Police Commission is essential to the City's ongoing public safety, compliance obligations, and oversight of the Oakland Police Department.

Proposed Actions:

- Appoint Mr. Doug Wong to the Police Commission as the alternate mayoral seat

Next Steps:

The Mayor's Office intends to present this Police Commission appointment at the 4/23 Rules Committee meeting, and at the subsequent City Council meeting. We appreciate the Council's consideration and support in moving these appointments forward in a timely manner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.  
Office of the Mayor

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Oakland Police Commission Urgency Findings

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City's ongoing public safety, compliance obligations, and oversight of the Oakland Police Department.

To ensure continuity of operations and the uninterrupted performance of the Police Commission's essential functions, the Mayor seeks to urgently advance the appointment of Mr. Doug Wong at the Rules and Legislation meeting on April 23, 2026. This appointment brings significant experience, judgment, and public service backgrounds that will strengthen the Commission's existing work, and will help ensure a timely and efficient leadership transition, while also maintaining critical oversight responsibilities of the Police Commission.

The Mayor respectfully requests the scheduling of this appointment for prompt consideration by the Rules Committee and subsequent Council action.