

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 20, 2016

FROM: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: BOARD OF ETHICS APPOINTMENTS

ISSUE:

The issue for City Council consideration is to interview and appoint members to the Board of Ethics and assign or identify a term staggering strategy.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Mayor and City Council:

- 1. Interview Ellie Bennett and Champagne Ford for the Ward 1 seat on the Board of Ethics;
- 2. Interview Clarence A.E. House for the Ward 6 seat on the Board of Ethics;
- 3. Interview Wendall W. Tucker for the Ward 7 seat on the Board of Ethics;
- 4. Interview Freya A. Foley, Shera D. McDonald, and Andrew C. Woodard for the Ward 2 seat on the Board of Ethics;
- 5. Interview Keith J. Nelson, Michael Scarano, Jeffrey P. Wright, and Bobby S. Hawkins for the Ward 3 seat on the Board of Ethics; and
- 6. For these inaugural appointments only, assign three seats as a two-year term through March 1, 2018, three as a three-year term through March 1, 2019, and three as a four-year term through March 1, 2020, with the assignment of terms to be determined by random draw at the first Board of Ethics meeting.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 24, 2016, the Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee, with Mayor Bailey and Members Melendrez, Gardner, and Davis present, unanimously approved the above recommendations.

BACKGROUND:

The Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee selected Board of Ethics applicants for interview. Interviews have been scheduled for July 20 and 25, 2016, for nine seats, one representing each Ward and two Citywide.

Charter Section 802 provides that members of boards and commissions serve four-year terms for not more than two consecutive full terms. To avoid all terms expiring at the same time in connection with the initial appointments to the Board of Ethics, the Committee recommends that three appointments be for two-year terms through March 1, 2018, three for three-year terms through March 1, 2020. The terms may be

assigned by the Mayor and City Council at the time of appointment or drawn by lot. The Committee recommends that for these initial appointments only, that the terms be selected by lot at the first Board of Ethics meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Recruitment and appointment costs are included annually in the City Clerk's Office budget.

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Concurs with,

WILLIAM R. BAILEY/III, Chair

Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee

Attachments:

Applications