



# Commission on Aging

*City of Arts & Innovation*

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**TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS**

**DATE: JANUARY 29, 2025**

**FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON**

**ISSUE:**

Open the nominations process for the Commission on Aging and vote to select a Chair and Vice Chair.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission on Aging:

1. Open the nomination process for the Commission on Aging

**BACKGROUND:**

In accordance with the Riverside City Charter Article V, Section 1, The officers of the Commission shall be the Chairperson and two Vice chairpersons. To comply with terms of Section 804 of the City Charter, one member will be formally elected Chairperson. Also, the Chairperson will sign all official documents.

Riverside City Charter Article V, Section 2: The Chairperson and the Vice Chairpersons shall be elected and take office at the meeting in March of each year from the members of the Commission. The March election will be preceded by a slate of nominees presented to the Commission in February. The nominating committee will consist of two (2) Commission members appointed by the Chairperson.

**DISCUSSION:**

Succession by appointment date of current Commission members is as follows:

1. Commissioner Deborah Kelley, Ward 4, (2nd Term) appointed 9/17/2019
2. Current Chairperson Jane DuBois, Ward 1, (1st Term) appointed 4/20/2021
3. Commissioner Nora Moti, Ward 2, (2nd Term) appointed 1/31/2022
4. Current Vice Chair Carmen Roberts, Citywide - Ward 2, (1st Term) appointed 4/04/2023
5. Commissioner Pamela Bash, Ward 5, (1st Term) appointed 5/24/2023
6. Commissioner Diane Kwasman, Citywide Ward 4, (1st Term) appointed 10/03/2023

7. Commissioner Joyce Clarke, Ward 3, (1st Term) appointed 5/14/2024
8. Commissioner Kittie Aleman, Ward 6, (1st Term) appointed 6/11/2024
9. Commissioner Victoria Dove, Citywide Ward 3, (1st Term) appointed 9/17/2024
10. Commissioner Lori Pendergraft, Citywide Ward 2, (1st Term) appointed 10/22/2024

Current vacancy exists in Ward 7.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

The work contributes to Strategic Priority 5 – High Performing Government, which aims to provide world class public service that is efficient, accessible, and responsive to all.

The election of officers aligns with High Performing Government goal 5.3, “Enhance communication and collaboration with community members to improve transparency, build public trust, and encourage shared decision-making”.

The item aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** – The involvement of the Commission on Aging aligns with the City’s goal of transparency by making decisions based on sound policy and inclusive community engagement.
2. **Equity** – The Commission on Aging ensures every member of the community has equal access to share in the benefits the department offers.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – Considering Riverside is a prudent steward of public funds; the Commission on Aging ensures responsible management of the City’s financial resources while providing quality public services to all.
4. **Innovation** – The Commission on Aging is a collaborative partner with the Department and assists with providing input and direction in meeting the community’s changing needs and prepares for the future.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – The Commission on Aging provides input and direction on meeting the community’s senior needs of the present without compromising the needs of the future and are committed to the City’s capacity to persevere, adapt and grow during good and difficult times alike.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the election of officers.

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