

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Monday, April 27, 2015

The Municipal Civil Service Commission convened in a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, April 27, 2015 at the Waller Creek Building located at 625 East 10th Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.

Chair Kovach called the Commission meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Kimberlee Kovach, Chair Teresa Perez-Wiseley, Vice-Chair Pamela Lancaster Kevin Russell

Commissioners Absent:

Lynn Rubinett

Staff in Attendance:

Rebecca Kennedy, Acting HR Assistant Director Sylba Everett, Acting Municipal Civil Service Administrator Vera Labriola, Municipal Civil Service Coordinator Patricia Bourenane, Civil Service Coordinator Ngoc Thai, Network Administrator

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 23, 2015, regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Russell's motion, Vice-Chair Perez Wiseley's second on a 4-0 vote.

3. HEARING

a. Conduct a hearing on the appeal filed by Deborah Jennings regarding her discharge from the Law Department.

The MCS Commission went into recess for 30 minutes to review the Employee and Department submissions.

The hearing was conducted on the appeal filed by Deborah Jennings regarding her discharge from the Law Department.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

b. Deliberate in closed session, pursuant to 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (personnel exception), regarding the appeal of Deborah Jennings regarding her discharge from the Law Department.

The Commission deliberated in closed session on the appeal of Deborah Jennings regarding her discharge from the Law Department.

c. Possible action and decision regarding the appeals of Deborah Jennings regarding her discharge from the Law Department.

The motion to reinstate Ms. Jennings to the position held at the time of her discharge and to restore all pay and other benefits lost was approved on Vice-Chair Perez-Wiseley's motion, Commissioner Russell's second on a 4-0 vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to the Audit and Finance Committee, of the Austin City Council, for the Chair of the Municipal Civil Service Commission.

The motion to recommend Commissioner Lancaster for the Chair of the Municipal Civil Service Commission was approved on Commissioner Russell's motion, Vice-Chair Perez-Wiseley's second on a 3-0-1 vote. Commissioner Lancaster abstained from voting.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action to provide input to the Municipal Civil Service Director on potential Municipal Civil Service Rule amendments.

Discussion was held on the possible date for scheduling a work session for discussing potential Municipal Civil Service Rule amendments.

b. Commission discussion on hearing proceedings and process.

Discussion was held on hearing proceedings and process.

c. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and locations.

The motion to hold a work session for discussing potential Municipal Civil Service Rule amendments at the regular meeting scheduled for May 11, 2015 was approved on Vice-Chair Perez-Wiseley's motion, Commissioner Lancaster second on a 4-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kovach adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m. on Commissioner Russell's motion, Commissioner Vice-Chair Perez-Wiseley's second, on a 4-0 vote.