# Recruitment & Reappointment of Municipal Civil Service Commissioners

# UPDATE TO THE AUDIT AND FINANCE COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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## **BRIEFING GOALS**

- Background
- Roles of Municipal Civil Service Commission
- Review current members and terms
- Selection, recruitment & appointment process

#### **BACKGROUND**

- Article IX of the City Charter, approved by voters in November 2012, established a Municipal Civil Service Commission to have 5 commission members
- Ordinance No. 20130214-045 established this Commission as a Chapter 2-1 City Board
  - Designates Audit and Finance Committee to review
     Commissioner applications and make recommendations for appointments (§ 2-1-164)
  - Excludes current City employees from being appointed

# MCS COMMISSION ROLE

- Hear appeals and make final, binding decisions in the case of discharges, denials of promotion, and disciplinary action
  - Meetings occur twice per month and last for entirety of the day
  - Special called meetings may be scheduled to accommodate need
- Review proposed rules and potential rule changes from HR Director and recommend rules to Council for adoption

# **COMMISSION MEMBERS AND TERMS**

Current Membership	First Appointed	Dates Reappointed	Term Expires
Rebecca Eisenbrey	06/19/19		05/08/21
Erika Kane	06/11/20		05/08/21
Teresa Perez-Wiseley	05/09/13	05/05/16 & 05/09/19	05/08/22
Melissa Rogers, Vice-Chair	03/03/16	05/05/16 & 05/09/19	05/08/22
Pamela Lancaster, Chair*	05/09/13	05/01/14, 05/23/17 & 06/11/20	05/08/23

<sup>\*</sup>Council designates the Commission Chair annually

# Options for Audit & Finance Committee

- Recommend reappointment of Commissioners; or
- Open a call for applicants to apply for the open position.

# SELECTION PROCESS STAFF ROLES AND DUTIES

- Office of the City Clerk
  - Post an open call for Commissioner candidates
  - Collect applications and screen for minimum qualifications
  - Forward candidate documents to Audit and Finance Committee
- Human Resources Department
  - Assist Clerk's Office and Council in the process
  - Support the Municipal Civil Service Commission

# RECRUITMENT

- City Clerk to work with City's Public Information Office
- 30 day solicitation
- Requirements Residency and registered voter
- Preferences experience with employment, human resources, labor relations and/or mediation

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- Office of the City Clerk will:
  - Follow the standard B/C application process
  - Accept on-line applications using standard B/C application form
  - Accept resumes to document any additional relevant qualifications
  - Ensure minimum qualifications identified in Charter 2-1 are met
  - Identify candidates with preferred background
  - Provide applications received to all Council Offices through standard process

# **APPOINTMENT PROCESS**

- The Council Audit and Finance Committee shall review applications received by the city clerk from persons seeking appointment as a commissioner. (§ 2-1-164)
  - Review may include interviews or written applications only
- Appointments are subject to approval by a majority vote of council. (§ 2-1-4)
- The council shall designate the commission chair annually at the time new commissioners are appointed. (§ 2-1-164)

## **NEXT STEPS**

- Option 1: Recommend reappointment of Commissioners to the full Council
- Option 2: Open Call
  - o 30-Day Advertisement
  - Open Applications
  - Screen for minimum qualifications
  - Review and potential interviews by Audit and Finance Committee
  - Council Appointment

