

To: **Charter Commission**
 Through: **Ryan Schroeder, City Manager**
 From: **Shirley Buecksler, City Clerk**
 Date: **October 19, 2020**

Discussion on Expired Terms and Appointments

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Currently, there are several Charter Commission members with terms that have either expired as of February 2020 or will expire in February 2021. All, but one, have expressed willingness to continue to serve on the Charter Commission.

Commissioner	Term Expiration Date	Interested in Reappointment
Wendy DeVore	2/28/2020	No
Tim Haubrich	2/28/2020	Yes – Application Attached
Mark Tessmer	2/28/2020	Yes – Application Attached
Tim Valento	2/28/2020	Yes – Application Attached
Douglas Fromm	2/28/2021	Yes – Application Attached
Matthew Schempp	2/28/2021	Yes – Application Attached
Karen Vavreck	2/28/2021	Yes – Application Attached

With one seat open on the Commission, the City received five applications between January 1, 2019 and October 14, 2020 from applicants interested in serving on the Charter Commission. Staff reached out to these individuals and learned that one applicant has since moved and another is no longer interested.

The following applicants would like to be considered for the open seat on the Charter Commission:

Applicant Name	Date of Application	Also Serves On
Jay DeLaRosby	12/08/2019 – attached	Park & Recreation Committee
Jason Smock	1/08/2020 – attached	
James Heaney	1/13/2020 – attached	

The Charter Commission decided in 2018 that it would unilaterally make recommendations to the Chief Judge about Charter Commission appointments without waiting for Council input. The Commission used a vetting process that involved one Charter Commission member contacting the applicants, asking each applicant specific questions about their background and interest in serving and then reporting back to the Commission about the discussions with each candidate. The Commission then voted on the applicants and the ones with the most votes resulted in a slate that was recommended to the Chief Judge.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss reappointments, as well as the selection process for the one open seat on the Commission. If comfortable, forward any recommendations to the Chief Judge of the First Judicial District.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2020 Charter Commissioner Listing
- Applications of Commissioners Seeking Reappointment
- Message from Commissioner DeVore
- New Applications
- Charter Commission Bylaws
- Minutes of May 22, 2018 re Process