



Department Source: Law
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: January 21, 2020
Re: Citizens Police Review Board Member Removal

Executive Summary

The Citizens Police Review Board respectfully requests that the City Council remove a member recently appointed to the Board for cause due to nonattendance.

Discussion

On October 21, 2019, the City Council appointed Billie Jo Hill to serve on the Citizens Police Review Board. Although Billie Jo Hill initially responded to one email and scheduled training, Billie Jo Hill did not attend training and has not responded to any further correspondence. Staff has also attempted contact via telephone and was unsuccessful. Billie Jo Hill did not attend the board's meetings on November 13, 2019, December 11, 2019, and January 8, 2020.

Section 21-46 of the City Code provides that "[t]he Board may recommend to the city council that a board member be removed from the board if the member persistently fails to perform the duties of office." In addition, the Board has adopted bylaws regulating their own procedures which also provides that "[u]pon the unexcused absence of any member of the Board from three consecutive regular monthly meetings of the Board,...the Board may, by two-thirds vote of the entire Board, recommend to the City Council that it remove such member for cause."

On January 8, 2020, the Board passed a motion the Board recommend to the City Council that Billie Jo Hill be removed for cause by a vote of 7 to 0 with one abstention. Voting in favor of the motion were Delaney Catlettstout, Andrew Fisher, Catherine Grover, Travis Pringle, Nicole Seamon, Darryl Smith, and Cornelia Williams. Carley Gomez abstained.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None
Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
10/21/2019	The City Council appointed Billie Jo Hill to serve on the Citizens Police Review Board.

Suggested Council Action

If Council concurs with the recommendation of Board, Council should make a motion to remove Billie Jo Hill from the Citizens Police Review Board. If there is an affirmative vote of the City Council to remove the individual, the City Clerk will advertise for the open position.