

City of Columbia 701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Clerk To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: November 20, 2023 Re: Ward 2 City Council Member Applications

Executive Summary

Per the City Charter, the City Council is to appoint a Ward 2 City Council Member due to the resignation of current Council Member Andrea Waner, which will be effective November 22, 2023. The Council chose to require applications from those interested in being considered for appointment, and enclosed are the applications.

Discussion

On October 2, 2023, Council Member Andrea Waner indicated she would resign her position as the Ward 2 Council Member effective November 22, 2023. Per Section 9 of the City Charter, "each vacancy in any elective office shall be filled by the council for a period running to the next regular election, unless such period exceeds one year." Since Council Member Waner's term was to end in April 2024, the vacancy created by this resignation "shall" be filled by the Council.

At the October 2, 2023 meeting, an application process was suggested as the process to identify people who might be interested in serving the remainder of Council Member Waner's term. On October 10, 2023, a press release was issued notifying the public that the application was available online and in the City Clerk's Office, and that the deadline for submission of an application was 5:00 p.m. on November 13, 2023. A reminder press release was issued on November 6, 2023.

Eight people have applied and they are as follows: Susan Renee Carter Rachel Proffitt Lisa Evelyn Anne Meyer William E. Moyes Cornellia Williams Frederick Saffold Robert Schreiber III Lucio Martino Bitoy IV

All are residents and qualified voters of Ward 2 as required by Section 6 of the City Charter, and their applications are attached.



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Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

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

Legislative History	
Date	Action
October 2, 2023	At the Council Meeting, Mayor Buffaloe read a statement from Council Member Waner indicating she would resign her position effective November 22, 2023, and suggested an application process to help determine who should be appointed to fill the remainder of Council Member Waner's term.
October 10, 2023	A press release was issued informing the public as to how to access the application and of the deadline to apply if interested in serving the remainder of Council Member Waner's term.
October 16, 2023	At the Council Meeting, Mayor Buffaloe informed the public of the fact the City Clerk's Office was accepting applications.
November 6, 2023	A second press release was issued reminding the public of the deadline to apply.
November 13, 2023	This was the last day to submit an application for consideration.

Suggested Council Action

The Council should determine the process for selecting a Ward 2 City Council Member to replace Council Member Andrea Waner.