

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Finance

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: January 4, 2021

Re: Board of Equalization City Representative Appointments

Executive Summary

This memorandum discusses appointments of City representatives to the Boone County Board of Equalization by the City Council.

Discussion

Pursuant to Section 138.015 RSMo, the City Council is authorized to appoint two city representatives to the Boone County Board of Equalization (BOE). The City-appointed members meet with representatives from the County for the purpose of equalizing assessment of property within the City. The City representatives are only entitled to hear and rule on appeals relating to property within the city limits.

At the August 3rd, 2020 City Council meeting, Council appointed, by motion, Council Member Matt Pitzer and the Finance Director or his designee. Jim McDonald is the Finance Director designee representing the City. No term limits were identified, but comments had been made indicating this should be discussed again in January or February 2021.

The City Manager recommends Council Member Pitzer, and the Finance Director's designee (Jim McDonald), continue to serve.

Council Member Pitzer recommended a staff member from the Finance Department continue to serve, and that either a City Council appointed citizen with financial background or a council member would suffice for the second position. Because BOE meetings generally take place from July through September, it is suggested this be discussed annually at either the January or February City Council meeting. This timing would ensure delegates are in place before the meetings commence.

Fiscal Impact

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

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Operational Excellence, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

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

Date	Action
07/01/2019	REP61-19 Appointment of City Representatives to the Board of Equalization
08/03/2020	REP41-20 Update regarding City Representatives to the Board of Equalization

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends Council Member Matt Pitzer and the Finance Director designee, Jim McDonald, continue to serve on the Board of Equalization, and that a report be provided by staff annually in either January or February for discussion.