

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Clerk

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 19, 2024

Re: Business Loop CID Board of Directors – Membership Change due to Resignation

Executive Summary

The Business Loop Community Improvement District (CID) Board of Directors has submitted a slate of proposed Board of Director members to the Mayor for consideration for appointment due to the resignation of Sara Huaco.

Discussion

The Business Loop CID was established by ordinance on April 20, 2015, and it provided for seven Board of Directors members. The initial seven members were appointed by the ordinance establishing the Business Loop CID to staggering terms of two and three years.

The qualifications to serve on the Board of Directors are set out in the Business Loop CID petition and state law. It is required that each director be at least 18 years of age and be either an owner of real property within the District, an owner of a business operating within the District, or a registered voter residing in the District, all as defined in the CID Act (67.1401 RSMo. et seq.)

The petition governing the formation of the Business Loop CID provides for the appointment process of members to the Board of Directors. Upon submission of a slate of proposed successor directors by the Business Loop CID Board of Directors to the Mayor, the Mayor (with the consent of the City Council) shall approve the appointments or request alternates be submitted. The approval or request for alternates is required to occur within 30 days of the submission of names by the Business Loop CID.

If there is a request for alternative names, the Business Loop CID Board of Directors shall resubmit the slate with alternates, and the Mayor shall choose appointees from the names submitted and seek the consent of the City Council. If the City Council refuses to consent to the slate, within ten days, the Mayor shall request alternatives from the Business Loop CID Board of Directors.

Current Board of Director Members are: Michele Batye (Term ending April 19, 2026)

Karen Geotz (Term ending April 19, 2026)

Vacant (Term ending April 19, 2026) (Previously held by Sara Huaco)

James Bayless (Term ending April 19, 2026)

Ryan Euliss (Term ending April 19, 2027)

Jay Rader (Term ending April 19, 2027)

Suzi McGarvey (Term ending April 19, 2027)



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Sara Huaco resigned on or around June 25, 2024, and the Business Loop CID submitted two applicants, Maribel Torres and Mary Grupe, for consideration on August 8, 2024. The person appointed would serve the remainder Sara Huaco's term, which ends on April 19, 2026.

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
April 20, 2015	Ord. No. 022415 – Approving the petition requesting the formation of the Business Loop CID; establishing the District as a political subdivision of the State of Missouri.
January 4, 2021	REP1-21 – Appointment of Sara Huaco to a term ending April 19, 2023. Sara Huaco replaced Crystal Garza-Matthews, who resigned from the Board.
April 3, 2023	REP17-23 – Appointment of four Business Loop CID Board Members to terms ending April 19, 2026, to include Sara Huaco.

Suggested Council Action

Either appoint one of the candidates suggested by the Business Loop CID or request alternative applicants.