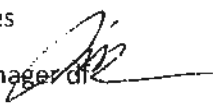


MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor England
Vice Mayor Samora
Commissioner George
Commissioner Rumrell
Commissioner Torres

FROM: Max Royle, City Manager 

DATE: November 5, 2021

SUBJECT: Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor for 2022

During non-election years when there is no expiration of a Commissioner's term in office on December 31st, you usually elect the Mayor and Vice Mayor at your December regular meeting. In years when there's a general election in November, you elect the Mayor and Vice Mayor at your January meeting when the terms of any newly-elected Commissioners will begin.

Section 1-4 (b) of the City Charter has provisions concerning the election of the Mayor and Vice Mayor. It states:

The mayor and vice-mayor shall be elected by the members of the city commission from their number and the term of office of the mayor and vice-mayor shall be for one (1) year beginning January first of each year and continuing until January first of the succeeding year. Any vacancy in the office of mayor or vice-mayor shall likewise be filled by the city commissioners by the election of one (1) of their number to serve as mayor or vice-mayor, as applicable, for the unexpired term. No member of the commission shall be elected as mayor by the members of the city commission to serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. This subsection shall not be interpreted to preclude a city commissioner from serving as mayor for more than two (2) nonconsecutive terms.

You will note the restriction that the Commissioner elected as Mayor can serve only two consecutive, one-year terms.

By December 31, 2021, Mayor England will have served as Mayor for two consecutive terms: calendar years 2020 and 2021. In accordance with Section 2-4 (b) of the Charter, she must step down from the Mayor's position for one year. She can participate in the election of the Mayor and Vice Mayor for calendar year 2022.

Nominations can be made by individual Commissioners. The nominations do not require a second. If they are needed, we will have paper ballots for you to use and sign. The City Attorney will count the ballots.