

AD HOC JUDICIAL NOMINATION COMMITTEE
DALLAS CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE AGENDA

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MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019
CITY HALL
COUNCIL BRIEFING ROOM, 6ES
1500 MARILLA STREET
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201
12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Chair, Council Member B. Adam McGough
Vice Chair, Council Member Philip T. Kingston
Domestic Violence Task Force Chair, Council Member Jennifer S. Gates
Mayor Pro Tem Casey Thomas
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano
Council Member Sandy Greyson
Council Member Kevin Felder
Council Member Carolyn King Arnold

Call to Order

1. Approval of the minutes of September 4, 2018, April 8, 2019, and April 22, 2019 Chair McGough

Adjourn



B. Adam McGough, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.089]

NOTICE: Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 4, 2018 **Convened:** 1:00 P.M. **Adjourned:** 1:15 P.M.

Committee Members Present

CM Adam McGough, Chair
CM Philip Kingston, Vice-Chair
CM Sandy Greyson
CM Jennifer Gates
CM Kevin Felder
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano

Committee Members Absent

Staff Present

Maxime Faye
Judge Preston Robinson
Jon Fortune
Genesis Gavino
Chris Caso

AGENDA:

Call to Order

1. Approval of Minutes

Meetings March 26, 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 11, 2018 Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee. CM Greyson noted that the minutes from January 8, 2018 also needed approval. An adjustment was made to approve January meeting minutes as well.
Amendment: Approve minutes from January 8, 2018.

Motion made by: CM Kingston

Motion seconded by: CM Greyson

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Forward nominations for vacant municipal judge positions for recommendation by Ad Hoc Judicial to City Council.

Presenter: Mark Melton, JNC Chair

Information Only:

Chair Melton briefed the committee about a formerly approved municipal judge nominee withdrawing their name. The JNC met and voted to go to the next name on the list of candidates, Marsha Tillman. Chair Melton contacted Ms. Tillman and asked if she would accept the position and she said yes. Ms. Tillman is currently an associate judge so moving her to full-time would mean there will be an opening for a part-time judge. Another part-time judge resigned the preceding week and so the JNC has not been able to meet regarding these vacant positions. Chair Melton provided a rank order list of candidates that have already been approved by the Ad Hoc Committee and asked that they consider names 17-23 for approval. The City Attorney's office confirmed that the committee can approve the former list without having another meeting. From that list, #17, Mr. Crumpler, and #19, Ms. Sela, were contacted and they confirmed that they would accept the job. CM Kingston moved to approve the recommendations for all three positions. Council members Felder and Greyson were concerned about number 18 on the list and wanted to know how she had been contacted in regard to the position since she was ranked higher. The motion was not seconded.

CM Gates put forth a motion for Ms. Tillman to be nominated. CM Kingston seconded.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Committee to approve the full-time judge candidate, Ms. Tillman, for Council approval.

Motion made by: CM Gates

Motion seconded by: CM Kingston

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

CM Felder put forth a motion to hold off on nominating the associate judges to give time for the JNC to contact number 18. CM Greyson seconded his motion to hold. CM Kingston opposed holding due to the judges already being approved and qualified. CM Gates wanted to clarify the need for associate judges if they are as needed. Administrative Judge Robinson clarified that there are only 8 judges on average who are able to work the court. CM Gates put forth a motion to approve number 17 and 18 and if the Chair is not able to get a hold of them, the Ad Hoc committee recommends moving on to name 19.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Committee to recommend names 17 and 18 but if Chair Melton does not hear back from name 18, name 19 will be moved for approval.

Motion made by: CM Felder

Motion seconded by: CM Gates

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

B. Adam McGough, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

Genesis D. Gavino, Coordinator
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, April 08, 2019

Convened: 12:22 P.M.

Adjourned: 12:40 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member B. Adam McGough, Chair
Council Member Philip T. Kingston, Vice Chair
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano
Mayor Pro Tem Casey Thomas
Council Member Carolyn King Arnold
Council Member Kevin Felder

Committee Members Absent:

Council Member Sandy Greyson
Council Member Jennifer S. Gates

Staff Present:

Genesis D. Gavino
Jon Fortune
Maxime Faye
Gloria Lopez Carter
Judge Preston Robinson
Chris Caso

AGENDA:

Call to Order

1. Judicial Salaries

Presenter(s): Nicole Williams, Vice Chair of the Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC)

Information Only:

This briefing provided the committee with recommendations for judicial compensation. The JNC looked at compensation in surrounding cities and recommended an increase of 28% or \$125,000 for full-time municipal judges, \$115,000 for part-time, and \$140,000 for Administrative Judges. JNC requested a proposal to be approved by Council as funds have already been allocated. Budget information had already been provided by the City Manager's Office and the fully loaded impact would be \$405,000. JNC also requested that City Council make these changes retroactive to August 1, 2018.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Committee requested further information from Staff to review prior to taking up the item at the April 22, 2019 meeting.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Judicial Hearing Officer Recommendations

Presenter: Judge Preston Robinson, Municipal Courts

On September 28, 2017, the Dallas City Council passed an ordinance amending Chapter 27, "Minimum Urban Rehabilitation Standards," of the Dallas City Code. Section 19(a), of the Dallas City Code as amended, states the judicial hearing officers shall be recommended by the administrative judge and appointed by the City Council. On March 13, 2019, the administrative judge and 3 panel members interviewed 10 of 13 candidates for the vacant associate hearing officer positions. After reviewing all the written materials submitted by the candidates and conducting the interviews, the administrative judge respectfully recommends to the full City Council the candidates listed for appointment to 4 associate hearing officer positions- Lana Novak Byrne, Shereen El Domeiri, Shasta R. Brown, and Rachael Arien.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Motion to forward the JNC’s judicial hearing officers list to full council without changes.

Motion made by: CM McGough

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Kingston

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

APPROVED BY:

B. Adam McGough, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

ATTEST:

Genesis D. Gavino, Coordinator
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

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Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, April 22, 2019

Convened: 12:36 P.M.

Adjourned: 12:47 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member B. Adam McGough, Chair
Council Member Philip T. Kingston, Vice Chair
Council Member Sandy Greyson
Council Member Jennifer S. Gates
Council Member Carolyn King Arnold
Council Member Kevin Felder

Committee Members Absent:

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano
Mayor Pro Tem Casey Thomas

Staff Present:

Genesis D. Gavino
Jon Fortune
Judge Preston Robinson
Gloria Lopez Carter

AGENDA:

Call to Order

1. Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from September 4, 2018, and April 8, 2019 were deferred to the next Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee meeting for approval due to corrections.

2. Judicial Salaries

Presenter(s): Mark Melton, Chair of the Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC)

Information Only:

A continuation of the briefing provided to the committee on April 8, 2019 regarding recommendations for judicial compensation. The JNC looked at compensation in surrounding cities and recommended an increase of 28% or \$125,00 for full-time municipal judges, \$115,000 for part-time, and \$140,000 for Administrative Judges. JNC requested a proposal to be approved by Council as funds have already been allocated. Fiscal Impact was provided by Office of Budget and the fully loaded impact would be \$405,000.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Forward recommendations to approve an increase in administrative fulltime municipal judge salaries effective May 1, 2019 in line with ACM Fortune's recommendations.

Motion made by: CM Kingston

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Felder

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

B. Adam McGough, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee

Genesis D. Gavino, Coordinator
Ad Hoc Judicial Nomination Committee