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SUBJECT: Resolution – Appointing and reappointing individuals to the Human Rights Commission
– April 11, 2017
DATE: March 31, 2017

SUMMARY:

Realigning term expirations, and appointing and reappointing the following individuals to the Human Rights Commission:

Appointing Brad Bates, Jen Haggard-Mlynarek, and Rebecca Stith to fill unexpired terms to expire December 31, 2018; appointing Maria Villalpando Ramos and Marie Muniz to fill unexpired terms to expire December 31, 2017; and reappointing Kelsey Fischer and Joseph Kloby to serve three-year terms to expire December 31, 2019.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Council Members Blocker, Campbell, and Lonergan.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

As the Commission studies, investigates and mediates community issues that may result from discrimination, appointing and reappointing individuals to the Commission best aligns with the strategic policy priority related to strengthening and supporting public safety and human services.

BACKGROUND:

At the March 23, 2017 meeting, the Community Vitality and Safety Committee interviewed applicants and recommended the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above to the Human Rights Commission. The Committee also requested the realignment of term expirations for the Human Rights Commission, and staggering the term end years. Ordinance No. 18301, passed May 31, 1967, provided that initial terms for commission members would be one, two, or three years to ensure a rotation of members with staggered terms.

ISSUE:

The Human Rights Commission terms have become misaligned, such that terms have varying expiration months in March, April, May, and December, and more than one-half of commission member terms will expire in 2019, and nine positions need to be filled on the Human Rights Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Commission would not operate, due to lack of a quorum.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee is recommending the realignment of term expirations, and appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.