



TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Doris Sorum, City Clerk, City Attorney's Office
COPY: City Council
SUBJECT: Resolution – Appointing Pastor Michael Purter to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority – August 18, 2020
DATE: August 10, 2020

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution appointing Pastor Michael Purter to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term beginning August 18, 2020 to expire on August 18, 2025.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards

BACKGROUND:

Under Tacoma City Charter Section 2.4, appointments may be made by a majority vote of the City Council from names presented in writing to the City Council by the Mayor.

Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) Commissioner Arthur Banks' term is concluding his second term on THA's Board of Commissioners. During his term, he has made meaningful contributions. Pastor Banks is retiring and moving out of state and, thus, is not seeking reappointment at this time.

On August 7, 2020, Mayor Woodards nominated Pastor Michael Purter for appointment to the vacated seat on the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority in writing to City Clerk Doris Sorum.

RCW 35.82.040 sets the terms of commissioners at five years and also provides that “[a] commissioner shall hold office until a successor has been appointed and has qualified.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority can still meet; however, once Commissioner Banks moves, it will do so with a vacant seat until an appointment is made.

RECOMMENDATION:

Mayor Woodards is recommending the appointment of Pastor Michael Purter to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term beginning August 18, 2020 to expire on August 18, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.