

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Election of a Deputy Mayor
DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK
PRESENTED BY: Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk
ACTION: ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☒ Motion
 ☐ Discussion ☐ Public Hearing

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

City Council Rule of Procedure 2.2(C) states that in the event the Mayor or Deputy Mayor is unable to serve the remainder of their term, a new Mayor or Deputy Mayor shall be elected at the next meeting. Given the Deputy Mayor position was vacated on January 14, 2019 by Jesse Salomon's departure from the Council to serve as the State Senator for the 32nd Legislative District, tonight the Council needs to elect a Deputy Mayor to serve the remainder of his two-year term that runs through December 2019.

Council Rule of Procedure 2.2(D) outlines the rules for the election of the Deputy Mayor. This rule states:

- The Mayor shall call for nominations for a Deputy Mayor to serve for the remainder of the 2018/2019 term.
- No Councilmember may nominate more than one person until every member wishing to nominate a candidate has an opportunity to do so. Nominations do not require a second.
- The Mayor will repeat each nomination until all nominations have been made.
- When it appears that no one else wishes to make any further nominations, the Mayor will ask again for further nominations and if there are none, the Mayor will declare the nominations closed. A motion to close the nominations is not necessary.
- After nominations have been closed, voting for Deputy Mayor takes place in the order nominations were made. Only affirmative votes for Deputy Mayor shall be given and Councilmembers will be asked to vote by a raise of hands.
- As soon as one of the nominees receives a majority vote (four affirmative votes), the Mayor will declare that nominee elected as Deputy Mayor. No votes will be taken on the remaining nominees.
- If none of the nominees receives a majority vote, the Mayor will call for nominations again and repeat the process until a single candidate receives a majority vote.

Following the election, as per Council Rule 5.15, the Deputy Mayor sits to the right of the Mayor. Thus, after the election of the Deputy Mayor, the Deputy Mayor should take the appropriate seat on the dais.

RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact for this action.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Councilmembers offer nominations for Deputy Mayor to serve for the remainder of the 2018/2019 term and vote on the nominees by Council motion as provided in Council Rule 2.2(D).

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **MK**