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Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee
Meeting Record

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Special Call Meeting: Tuesday, April 29, 2014 **Convened:** 9:07 a.m. **Adjourned:** 4:32 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member Scott Griggs, **Chair**
Council Member Philip Kingston, **Vice-Chair**
Council Member Jerry Allen
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Monica Alonzo
Council Member Dwaine Caraway
Council Member Vonciel Jones Hill

Executive Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Chris Bowers, First Assistant City Attorney

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA:

1. **Call to Order**

Presenter: Scott Griggs, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Committee Chair Griggs called an open session of the Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee Meeting to order at 9:07 a.m., Tuesday, April 29, 2014 at Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for April 7, 2014 meeting minutes**

Presenter: Scott Griggs, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Motion made by: **Councilmember Allen**

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Seconded by: **Councilmember Kingston**

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **Ad Hoc Committee Judicial Nomination and Appointment Procedures**

Presenter: Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager

Mr. Zapata provided a status update of the Judicial Nominations Committee.

4. **Interviews of full-time candidates for City of Dallas – Municipal Court Judge Positions**

Action Taken/Commission Recommendation(s):

The Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee went to EXECUTIVE SESSION at 9:12 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2014 pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, to interview full-time candidates for City of Dallas – Municipal Court Judge Positions and Deliberation of Appointments as Municipal Judge.

Action Taken/Commission Recommendation(s):

Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, the Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee reconvened at 4:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2014 to open session.

Chris Bowers, First Assistant City Attorney provided the committee with information from Section 13-5.2(e) of the Dallas City Code., after deliberations

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Monica Alonzo that Daniel F. Solis be recommended and forwarded to council for approval as the Administrative Municipal Judge. Councilmember Kingston seconded the motion and it passed with 1 opposed. Councilmember Hill voted in opposition.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hill recommending 18 nominees for 12 Full-time Municipal Judge positions in order of preference to the council for approval. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee Recommendations for **Full-time Municipal Judge** vacancies are listed below:

Jay E. Robinson
Cheryl D. Williams
Daniel F. Solis
Michael Acuna
Julie Clancy
C. Victor Lander
Preston W. Robinson, Jr.
Kathryn Hoang
Paula M. Rosales Aldana
Demetrius E. Blacklock
Henry Wade
Daniel L. Ryan
William Marple
Lawrence D. Sharp
David W. Barlow
Roland Monteros
Aura L. Pleitez
Sandra H. White

A motion was made by Councilmember Hill recommending 13 nominees for 18 Associate Municipal Judge positions in order of preference. In addition, the Judicial Nominating Commission is directed to interview, as necessary, and recommend an additional 14 candidates for Associate Municipal Judge positions to the Committee for consideration, prior to the Ad Hoc Committee's next meeting. Councilmember Kingston seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee Recommendations for **Associate Municipal Judge** vacancies are listed below:

Cadoc Tim A. Menchu
E.A. (Elizabeth) Srere
Carl Hays
Kristine S. Primrose
Roland C. Anderson
Daniel E. McDonald, Jr.
Esther A. Grossman
Timoteo F. Gonzalez
Aura L. Pleitez
Tonya L. Goffney
Marilyn Y. Davis
Tony L. Martin
Michelle Buendia

A motion was made by Councilmember Hill directing the Judicial Nominating Commission to interview five (5) specific candidates for Associate Judge; which are Melodee Armstrong, Nina Bujosa, Roxann Cotroneo, Reina Gonzalez and John P. McCall, Jr. and select an additional 9 candidates of the Commission's choice from either the first or second posting for candidates. Councilmember Caraway seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The April 29, 2014 Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Scott Griggs, Chair
Ad Hoc Judicial Nominations Committee

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AdHoc Judicial Nominations Committee