



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – January 9, 2019 Agenda Item 2B

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Resolution Providing for an Appointment to the Commemoration Commission

Recommended Council Action

Adopt the resolution.

Context with Key Issues

The Commemoration Commission was established by the City Council to document, maintain, and preserve past, present, and future memorials, commemoratives, and recognitions in the City; recommend to the City Council procedures and programs for honors and commemorations; and implement such programs within its scope and budget.

The Commission is comprised of five to nine voting members who must be Takoma Park residents, and four non-voting members. There are up to six vacancies for voting members. The following voting members are currently serving on the Commission: Dick O'Connor (Ward 1), Jessica Kessler (Ward 2) and Bruce R. Williams (Ward 3). The following non-voting representative members are serving: Howard Kohn (Recreation Committee representative) and Diana Kohn (Historic Takoma, Inc. representative).

Frederick L. Schultz (Ward 6) has applied to serve on the Commission. If appointed, he would be filling a term that would expire March 31, 2019. Because of the short term of the appointment, the Council may extend the appointment to include the next full term, which would expire March 31, 2022. Staff recommends that the term be extended.

Council Priority

Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Government

Environmental Considerations

N/A

Fiscal Considerations

N/A

Racial Equity Considerations

Currently, there is a lack of diversity on this commission; all members are white. Council and staff should seek out opportunities to recruit people of color to serve on all boards, commissions, and committees.

Attachments and Links

- Draft Resolution

Introduced by:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**RESOLUTION 2019-
APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMEMORATION COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the City Council established the Commemoration Commission to document, maintain, and preserve past, present, and future memorials, commemoratives, and recognitions in the City; recommend to the City Council procedures and programs for honors and commemorations; and implement such programs within its scope and budget; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is comprised of up to nine but not less than five voting members who shall be residents of the City of Takoma Park, and four non-voting members; and

WHEREAS, voting members and representative members are appointed by the City Council to staggered three-year terms but no member may serve more than two consecutive full terms; and

WHEREAS, Frederick L. Schultz, resident of Ward 6, has applied to serve on the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Council has been provided with Mr. Schultz' application; and

WHEREAS, because Mr. Schultz would be filling a short term that will expire on March 31, 2019, his term may be extended to the next full term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT Frederick L. Schultz, resident of Ward 6, is hereby appointed to the Commemoration Commission as a voting member, for a term that will expire on March 31, 2022.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk