



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – March 6, 2019

### Agenda Item 3E

#### **Voting Session (Consent Agenda)**

Resolution Providing for an Appointment to the Takoma Park Ethics Commission

#### **Recommended Council Action**

Adopt the resolution as part of the consent agenda.

#### **Context with Key Issues**

The Takoma Park Ethics Commission is composed of up to seven members appointed by the City Council. The responsibilities of the Commission are: (1) to devise, receive and maintain all forms generated by the Ethics Ordinance; (2) to provide advisory opinions to persons subject to the Ordinance; (3) to hear and decide any inquiry or complaint regarding an alleged violation of the Ethics Ordinance; (4) to conduct a public information program regarding the purposes and application of the Ordinance; (5) to recommend legislative changes and improvements to the Ordinance; and (6) to promulgate regulations to accompany the Ordinance.

Commissioners are appointed to staggered two-year terms. Current members are: Arthur Gary (Ward 6), Ellen Maidman-Tanner (Ward 2), Patricia Anne Murphy (Ward 2), Nicholas Rozek (Ward 4) and Michael W. Richards (Ward 1). There are two vacancies on the Commission.

Jess Bravin (Ward 3) has applied for appointment. The application was provided to the City Council for review.

#### **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. 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-  
PROVIDING FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
TO THE TAKOMA PARK ETHICS COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.04, Ethics, of the Takoma Park Code, sets out the purpose and duties of the Ethics Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Commission is composed of up to seven Takoma Park residents appointed by the City Council to staggered two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, there are two vacancies on the Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jess Bravin has applied for appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the application and found the applicant to be a qualified candidate for service on the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following individual is hereby appointed to serve on the Takoma Park Ethics Commission:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Jess Bravin	3	September 30, 2021

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk