

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – October 2, 2019 Agenda Item 2A

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Resolution Providing for a Reappointment 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), Michael W. Richards (Ward 1), Nicholas Rozek (Ward 4), and Jess Bravin (Ward 3). There is one vacancy on the Commission. The term of Ellen Maidman-Tanner expired on September 30, 2019.

Ellen Maidman-Tanner has applied for reappointment. The application was provided to the City Council for review.

Council Priority

Engaged, Responsive and Service-Oriented Government

Environmental Considerations

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 A REAPPOINTMENT 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 is one vacancy on the Commission and one member is serving a term that expired on September 30; and
- WHEREAS, Ellen Maidman-Tanner has applied for reappointment; and
- WHEREAS, the Council has considered Ms. Maidman-Tanner's application.

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

Name	Ward	Term Expiration
Ellen Maidman-Tanner	2	September 30, 2021

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC City Clerk