

Introduced by: Councilmember Kostiuk

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2021-35**

**PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Ethics Commission is established in Chapter 3.04, Section 3.04.050 et seq. of the Takoma Park Code and its responsibilities are listed therein; and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Commission is composed of up to seven members appointed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ethics Commission members are appointed to three-year terms, however, beginning in 2021, the initial terms for one-third of the Commission's members will end on June 30, 2022, one-third of the members' terms will expire on June 30, 2023, and one-third of the members' terms will expire on June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, after the initial terms have expired, all terms of office for members appointed or reappointed will be staggered three-year terms beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30; and

WHEREAS, as part of the effort to reimagine City boards and committees, the City Council amended City Code sections related to boards and committees and conducted a member recruitment that began in August 2021 and ended on October 8; and

WHEREAS, a subgroup of three City Councilmembers reviewed applications and made recommendations for appointments to the full Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following individuals are appointed to the Ethics Commission for the terms indicated:

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| 1. | Jess Bravin    | Ward 3 | Term Expires: June 30, 2022 |
| 2. | Keli Cochran   | Ward 6 | Term Expires: June 30, 2022 |
| 3. | David Hahn     | Ward 6 | Term Expires: June 30, 2023 |
| 4. | Daniel Katz    | Ward 2 | Term Expires: June 30, 2023 |
| 5. | Michael Lezaja | Ward 1 | Term Expires: June 30, 2024 |
| 6. | Michael Mule   | Ward 6 | Term Expires: June 30, 2024 |

7. Patricia Anne Murphy Ward 2 Term Expires: June 30, 2024

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Ethics Commission membership is subject to provisions of Chapter 2.17 of the Takoma Park Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Ethics Commissioners can only be removed by the Council for cause, which includes neglect of duty, misconduct in office, a disability rendering the member unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, or a violation of Chapter 3.04 Ethics.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 20th day of October, 2021.

Attest:



Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk