



Richland County Council
Rules and Appointment Committee Meeting
MINUTES
October 25, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Council Chambers
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Gretchen Barron, Chair; Bill Malinowski and Jesica Mackey

OTHERS PRESENT: Allison Terracio, Derrek Pugh, Ashiya Myers, Justin Landy, Angela Weathersby, Chelsea Bennett, Leonardo Brown, Jennifer Wladischkin, Tamar Black, Kyle Holsclaw, Anette Kirylo, and Michelle Onley.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairwoman Gretchen Barron called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 PM.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. October 18, 2022 – Ms. Mackey moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Ms. Kirylo noted Mr. Patrick Belton and Mr. Charlton Whipple will conduct their interviews via Zoom.

Ms. Barron inquired if the order of interviews will remain the same as notated on the agenda.

Ms. Kirylo responded Mr. Belton and Mr. Whipple’s interviews will be conducted first and the remaining interviews will follow as notated on the agenda.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if the committee needs to vote on allowing the individuals to conduct their interviews via Zoom.

Ms. Barron replied it has been the committee’s custom to allow Zoom interviews if they are unable to attend in person.

Mr. Malinowski stated he believes the committee should know the reason the applicant(s) are unable to attend in person.

Ms. Barron responded the Clerk’s Office provided the reason for the request.

Mr. Malinowski stated, it is his understanding, the staff has some concerns about filling all six (6) vacancies on the Board of Zoning Appeals. He requested, once the interviews are conducted, to have input from Mr. Geo Price, Deputy CP&D Director/Zoning Administrator.

Ms. Mackey stated, at the October 18th meeting, she mentioned there are committees (i.e. Board of Zoning Appeals) that do not meet often. She suggested the Rules and Appointments Committee explore changing the board's terms to allow individuals to serve longer on said boards, commissions and committees.

Ms. Mackey moved to adopt the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. **INTERVIEWS**

Mr. Malinowski moved to go into Executive Session to conduct interviews for the Airport Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

***The committee entered Executive Session at approximately 3:06 PM
and exited at approximately 4 32 PM***

Mr. Malinowski moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

No actions were taken by the committee during Executive Session.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- a. Airport Commission – One (1) Vacancy – Mr. Patrick Belton, Mr. Brian Gwin, Ms. Carol D. Tyler, Mr. Charlton Whipple, and Mr. Frank Caggiano were interviewed for the Airport Commission vacancies.

Mr. Charlton Whipple withdrew his application during the interview process.

- b. Board of Zoning Appeals – Six (6) Vacancies – Mr. David Fulmer, Ms. Shasai Hendrix, Mr. Timothy Brown, and Mr. Brian Harbison were interviewed for the Board of Zoning Appeals vacancies.

5. **APPOINTMENTS**

- a. Airport Commission – One (1) Vacancy – Ms. Mackey inquired if any of the applicants met the neighborhood requirement for the Airport Commission.

Ms. Kyrlo responded Mr. Brian Gwin would meet the requirement.

Ms. Mackey moved to re-appoint Mr. D. Michael Kelly to the Airport Commission, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- b. Board of Zoning Appeals – Six (6) Vacancies – Mr. Malinowski moved to appoint Mr. David Fulmer and Ms. Shasai Hendrix and re-advertise for the remaining vacancies, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

Ms. Mackey inquired if there were any incumbents that applied.

Ms. Kirylo responded no incumbents applied.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

6. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- a. Boards, Commissions, and Committees Advertisement Schedule – The deadline for the current advertisement is November 18th.
- b. Applications Currently on File – No action was taken.

Ms. Barron requested the Clerk’s Office to provide proposed dates to the committee members to conduct approximately 15 interviews.

Mr. Malinowski requested the County Attorney to provide feedback on whether it is permissible to include the applications in the agenda packet. He noted the applications were included in the agenda packets in the past and he would like to see us go back to this practice.

Ms. Kirylo responded Council approved the recommendation to remove the applications from the agenda packet(s) because it reflects private information. Therefore, this will have to go back to Council to revert back to the previous process. She noted we currently do not have a way to hide personal information. If there is information the committee does not want to have reflected, we could change the application form, but we also will not have access to the information.

Mr. Malinowski stated he believes this is creating more work for the Clerk’s Office.

Ms. Barron requested, in the interim, to have the Clerk’s Office number the pages of the applications and notate on the cover sheet the date of the meeting.

Ms. Mackey inquired why Ms. Tasha Thompson’s name is not listed as a candidate for the Board of Zoning Appeals vacancies.

Ms. Kirylo responded that Ms. Thompson was appointed to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

7. **ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Mackey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:45 PM.