

## City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

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TO: Eric Campbell, City Manager

FROM: Wesley Russ
DATE: October 1, 2020

RE: Appointments to the Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority Commission

<u>Summary:</u> A proposed resolution to expand the Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority Commission from five to seven commissioners and to appoint individuals to fill an existing vacancy and to fill the two new commissioner positions.

<u>Background:</u> Section 36-11 of the Code of Virginia requires the governing body to appoint between five and nine commissioners to any newly created housing authority. As the Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority currently has five commissioners, including an existing vacancy, City Council may expand the number of commissioners to seven and make three appointments. The initial term lengths of three and four years, respectively, of the two new seats is intended to stagger vacancies over time.

**Key Issues:** None

**Environmental Impact:** None

Fiscal Impact: None

<u>Prior Actions:</u> At its September 22nd, 2020 meeting, City Council indicated a desire to expand the number of seats to seven and appoint the three individuals indicated in the resolution as Commissioners of HRHA.

<u>Alternatives:</u> (a) Adopt the resolution as presented;

(b) Adopt the resolution with amendments; or

(c) Decline to adopt a resolution.

**Community Engagement:** None

**<u>Recommendation:</u>** Staff recommends approval of the resolution as presented.

**Attachments:** Draft Resolution

## **Review:**

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.

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