



**CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

**Meeting Date:** March 7, 2019

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**From:** B. Francis, City Manager

**Subject:** Appointment of Dr. Leonard Hobbs to Planning and Zoning Board

**Background:** Due to the resignation of Nicholas Fouraker from the Planning and Zoning Board (District 7), Commissioner Nielsen is recommending Dr. Leonard Hobbs be appointed to the Board. According to the BIMC, any vacancy occurring during the unexpired term of office of any member of the planning and zoning board shall be filled by the council for the remainder of the term within 45 days after the vacancy occurs. Mayor Fouraker's term would have ended in December 2019.

**Staff Recommendation:** To appoint Dr. Leonard Hobbs

**Suggested Motion:** I move that we appoint Dr. Leonard Hobbs to the District 7 position on the Planning and Zoning Board for unexpired term of Nicholas Fouraker ending December 2019.

**Alternatives:** None.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Attachments:** Dr. Hobbs Bio

## **Bio of Dr. Leonard Hobbs**

Dr. Leonard Hobbs is currently employed by ECS Inc. as a SNE Engineer, in addition he is the owner of HCONUS, LLC, a published Author, and a part time Professor at Faith Christian University (FCU). Dr. Hobbs provides leadership and support to a team of employees that are supporting U.S. Army PEO STRI programs. His background includes 46 years of professional, technical and management experience on DoD programs. Dr. Hobs has supported several projects and programs for the U.S. Army PEO STRI as a subcontractor for 19 years. During the 19 years, he served as a Deputy Assistant Program Manager (Strong Point Research Inc.), System Engineering Architect/Project Director (Unisys Corp, Inc.), Engineering Consultant (Dimensions, Inc.) and Program Manager (Ellis & Ellis Inc.). Prior to Joining the PEO STRI workforce as a subcontractor, he held management positions with Loral Federal Systems, Lockheed Martin, Harris Space Systems Corp and Lambda Novatronics as Bids and Proposal Manager, Reproduction Services Manager, Systems Engineering Manager and Configuration Management Manager.

Dr. Hobbs has served as an Associate Pastor for Elim Ministries of Orlando, Florida for twenty years. He was one of the original eight members that started Elim Baptist Ministries in 1998. While serving at Elim, Dr. Hobbs has enjoyed using his God given gifts and talents in the ministry through preaching the Word of God in and outside the church walls, teaching Adult and Teen Bible Studies, conducting workshops on financial stewardship, leading the men's ministries and prayer groups, teaching the men's Sunday School classes, and serving as the financial administrator. He has also enjoyed ministering in Christian Education, Evangelism, the Jailhouse ministry, Nursing home, Orlando Rescue Mission, and Missionary Ministry.

Leonard has a Doctoral and Master's Degree in Bible and Theology from FCU. He completed his undergraduate work at Rollins College with a B.A. in Business Administration and Economics. Leonard is Certified Configuration Manager, Certified John Maxwell Coach, Teacher, and Speaker. In addition to a Certified Competent Toastmaster, graduate of Greater Orlando Leadership Program and Harris Government Communications Accelerated Management Program.