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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: Rick Gierok, Interim City Manager

DATE: August 6, 2026

RE: Appointment to Eustis Housing Authority – Kimberly DeShawn Jones

Introduction:

This item is for consideration of the appointment of Kimberly DeShawn Jones to the Eustis Housing Authority (EHA) to fill a vacancy for the four-year term expiring July 18, 2028.

Background:

The EHA has a vacant position formally held by Jennifer Bentley whose term of service ended effective April 22, 2026.

Horace Jones, Executive Director of the EHA, contacted the City of Eustis in June 2026 regarding appointment to the position formerly held by Jennifer Bentley.

As of July 1, 2026, the position was advertised on the City of Eustis website per standard process.

On July 6, 2026, EHA formally submitted the application for Ms. Jones. Human Resources completed a background check and cleared the applicant for service on July 23, 2026.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends consideration of the appointment of Kimberly DeShawn Jones to fill the unexpired vacancy on the Eustis Housing Authority Board for the remainder of the current term, which expires on July 18, 2026, as recommended by Eustis Housing Authority Executive Director Horace Jones and the Eustis Housing Authority Board.

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