



## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

**FROM:** Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO – Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer

**DATE OF MEETING:** March 24, 2025

**ITEM TITLE:** Filling Council Vacancy

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The Ward 5 Council seat became vacant upon Tom Huston's passing on February 14, 2025. During the February 24, 2025, Council Meeting, the Council decided to fill the vacancy by appointment. A notice was published in the Independence Bulletin Journal, on the City's website, and the City's Facebook page. Interested individuals had until noon on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, to submit written letters or the application form to be considered for the appointment.

### **DISCUSSION:**

No recommended discussion.

### **RESULTS:**

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Engaging and Catalyzing Community. This item helps achieve that vision by filling a vacant Council seat with a Citizen from Ward 5 to represent that ward's interests on the Council.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

Minimal costs are associated with this item, such as Staff time and publication costs.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends a motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Resolution to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to the Ward 5 Council Seat.