

MEETING DATE
01/02/2024

CITY OF LAKE CITY

Report to Council

COUNCIL AGENDA	
SECTION	
ITEM NO.	

SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Action: Filling the vacancy of Council Member for City Council District 13

DEPT / OFFICE: City Council

Originator: Audrey Sikes, City Clerk

City Manager	Department Director	Date 12/29/23
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Recommended Action:
Members to discuss and decide what process will be used to seek interested candidates to fill the unexpired term.

Summary Explanation & Background:
On December 27, 2023 C. Todd Sampson resigned his position on the City Council, effective December 30, 2023.

Section 301 (b) of the Charter, titled Eligibility is as follows: Only qualified voters who have resided in the city for a minimum of one (1) year prior to qualifying as a candidate for election to a seat on the city council, and are eighteen (18) years of age or older, shall be eligible to hold office, and all council members, except the mayor, shall have resided in the district which they represent at least one (1) year prior to the time they qualify for office.

Section 304 (c) (2) and 304 (c) (2) (2) of the Charter, titled Vacancies, forfeiture of office; filling of vacancies is as follows: A vacancy in the office of councilmembers other than mayor shall be filled as follows: If less than two (2) years and sixty (60) days remain in the term of office, the council shall within sixty (60) days from the date the vacancy occurred, by a majority vote of the remaining members, choose a successor to serve said unexpired term of the vacated council seat.

Alternatives:

Source of Funds:

Financial Impact:

Exhibits Attached:
 C. Todd Sampson resignation letter
 Section 301 of Charter – Composition; eligibility; districts; election and terms of office
 Section 304 of Charter – Vacancies, forfeiture of office; filling of vacancies
 Section 508 of Charter – Qualifications
 Sample Qualifying Checklist for Elections
 Minutes 9/20/2021 (See Page 9) regarding process utilized from last City Council vacancy
 Minutes 10/4/2021 (See Page 4) regarding process from last City Council vacancy
 Handout from 10/4/2021 - scoring process discussed from last City Council vacancy