STAFF REPORT
SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA DATE: November 2, 2026 **DEPARTMENT:** City Commission

TITLE:

Declaring vacancy of District 1 City Commission seat and discussion of vacancy

SUMMARY:

Commissioner Sarah Malega resigned her Commission seat on October 28, 2026 creating a vacancy.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The City Charter addresses vacancies in Article III, Section 5. The City Commission will declare the vacancy and discuss how to precede. There are less than six months before the election and that seat will already be on the ballot on March 9, 2027; the Commission would appoint someone to fill the unexpired term until a new commissioner was elected and the election certified. The appointment must be made no later than 24 hours before the start of the qualifying period. The qualifying period begins at noon on Tuesday, November 10 so the appointment must be made before noon on Monday, November 9.

MOTION:

Direction is sought regarding filling the vacancy.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Comm. Malega resignation letter
City Attorney letter regarding vacancies
Charter - vacancies