



Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda Item Submittal

Item To Be Considered: **Board of Commissioner Vacancy**

Board Meeting Date: **February 25, 2025**

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Overview: At its February 11, 2025, regular meeting the board was provided with details related to the conflicting rules in the Charter and NCGS rules on vacancies among the board. The Board tabled deciding which rule to follow for filling the vacant commissioner seat for members to spend time thinking about their decision and to allow staff time to research and report back on what steps were taken in the past.

Prior vacancies: Angela Clinton was elected to a 4-year term in November of 2017 and sworn into office in December 2017, she resigned from her seat and Philip Keagy was appointed to her seat in August of 2018. A special election was held for the seat in November 2019 to fill the remainder of her term until December 2021 and Larry Philpott was elected to that seat.

Larry Philpott ran for reelection in November 2021 and was elected to a 4-year term. Mr. Philpott was sworn into office in December 2021. In February of 2024 Mr. Philpott resigned from his seat and Pat Turner was appointed by the board to fill the remainder of his term through December 2025. This seat is up for reelection in November 2025; therefore, a special election situation did not apply.

Background Attachment(s): Agenda Item Submitted for February 11, 2025, regular meeting

Recommended Action: Choose one of the remedies available to fill the vacant commissioner seat.

Action: _____

