



AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Action Item for the City Council Meeting June 14, 2022

DATE: June 9, 2022

TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager

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| <p>Appointing Members to the Corpus Christi City Council Ad Hoc City Auditor Nominating Committee</p> |
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CAPTION:

Resolution appointing an Ad Hoc Nominating Committee to review and recommend candidates for the position of City Auditor

SUMMARY:

Article II, Section 29(a) of the City Charter states that the City Council shall appoint a City Auditor. The City of Corpus Christi, however, has been without a permanent City Auditor since 2018. Per the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12½, Section 8, the City Council shall appoint an Ad Hoc Nominating Committee to recommend to the City Council candidates for City Auditor. This agenda item will appoint members to the City Council Ad Hoc City Auditor Nominating Committee so that a City Auditor can be hired.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Part II, Chapter 12½, Section 12½-8 of the City's Code of Ordinances outlines the selection process for the City Auditor. Subsection (b) states that the City Council shall appoint an Ad Hoc Nominating Committee to recommend to the City Council candidates for City Auditor. The Committee shall consist of five (5) members, including a chair and vice-chair selected by a majority vote of members meeting the following qualifications:

- 1) Three (3) members shall be members of the City Council nominated by the Council Audit Committee
- 2) One (1) member shall be an at large City of Corpus Christi resident
- 3) One (1) member shall be the City Manager or his designee

To fulfill the first requirement for the Ad Hoc Committee, the City Council Audit Committee met on April 12, 2022 and recommended the following Audit Committee members for the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee: Chairman Gil Hernandez, Committee Member Billy Lerma, and Committee Member Mike Pusley.

For the At Large member, Ed Bennett, CPA, CFE is being recommended. He is a local certified public accountant (CPA) and certified fraud examiner (CFE).

The final member of the committee will be City Manager Peter Zanoni.

The City Council is being asked to approve the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee as presented. The Ad Hoc Nominating Committee will then review the list of City Auditor candidates, narrow the list to three (3); interview the candidates, and then make a recommendation for City Auditor to the City Council. The City Council could then select a City Auditor as early as July 19, 2022.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council could select other members for the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact for this item.

FUNDING DETAIL:

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| Fund: | N/A |
| Organization/Activity: | N/A |
| Mission Element: | N/A |
| Project # (CIP Only): | |
| Account: | N/A |

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to select Gil Hernandez, Billy Lerma, Mike Pusley, Ed Bennett, and Peter Zanoni to the Ad Hoc City Auditor Nominating Committee.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution