



Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Title:

Administration recommending the Council consent to appointment of Dan McDonald as the hearing officer for reasonable accommodation requests for group homes for disabled persons.

Presenter:

Shane Pace

Description/Background:

This item was tabled at the November 14 City Council meeting to allow an opportunity for the Mayor-elect to review the hearing officer appointment.

On June 21, 2017 the City Council approved Ordinance #17-14 to appoint a hearing officer to review reasonable accommodation requests instead of the Planning Commission. The code amendment included the advise and consent of the City Council for the appointment. The Purchasing Agent issued a Request for Proposal for hearing officer services and did not receive any responses. The Senior Civil Attorney emailed a few Attorneys that have experience with being a hearing officer, or those familiar with the Federal Fair Housing Act and AMERICANS with Disabilities Act, asking if they would be interested. Two attorneys, Glenn Bronson and Dan McDonald responded.

Members of Administration interviewed both lawyers. Based on the information gathered from those interviews and from other sources, Dan McDonald is recommended for this position.

Fiscal Impact:

\$300.00 per hour

Recommended Action and/or Suggested Motion:

Motion to approve Dan McDonald as hearing officer.