



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 8.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008

DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK
DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:
BUSINESS ITEMS:

Discussion and possible action to appoint a Municipal Court Judge for Department 1

Fiscal Impact

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount:
Funding Source:
Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Municipal Court Department 1 has a vacant seat due to the death of Judge Toy Gregory. In accordance with Las Vegas City Charter 1.160, it will be necessary to fill this vacancy by a majority vote of the entire City Council within 30 days after the occurrence of that vacancy.

The qualifications for election as a Las Vegas Municipal Court Judge are: Shall be a qualified elector who has actually as opposed to constructively, resided within the City for a period of not less than 30 days immediately prior to the last day for filing a Declaration of Candidacy; Shall devote full time to his or her duties; Duly licensed member in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada; and Never having been removed or retired from any judicial office by the Commission on Judicial Discipline. The registered voters of the City shall elect each Municipal Court Judge. This Municipal Court Judge seat is a six-year term position that will be considered by City of Las Vegas voters during the 2009 Municipal Election process.

RECOMMENDATION:

Appointment of a qualified individual to fill the seat of Municipal Court Judge, Department 1

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

None

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve the appointment of CYNTHIA LEUNG

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1
RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-OSCAR B. GOODMAN)

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Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE thanked those that participated in the process. He hoped the Council's decision in this matter would not hinder them in running for public office in the future. It was a very difficult decision to make, given the circumstances, and he read the Purpose/Background section.

COUNCILMEN WOLFSON and BARLOW agreed with MAYOR PRO TEM REESE, adding that all the candidates could do a good job.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN emphasized the high caliber of the candidates and expressed her great respect for them.

CYNTHIA LEUNG humbly accepted the appointment. She is very grateful and honored for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Las Vegas.

