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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3154, Agenda Item #: 16.

10/21/2021

Posting Language

Approve a resolution confirming the reappointment of Eyna Canales-Zarate to the City of Austin's Firefighters', Police Officers' and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission.

Lead Department

Human Resources Department

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The City of Austin's Firefighters', Police Officers' and Emergency Medical Services Personnel's Civil Service Commission has been established to ensure general compliance with applicable provisions of Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code, the local Civil Service Rules established by the Commission, and any current agreements between the City of Austin and associations representing firefighters, police officers and emergency medical services personnel. The Commission may take action on matters related to promotion, appeals of promotional exams, suspension and termination, as well as other matters regarding firefighters, police officers and emergency medical services personnel in accordance with the above-mentioned statutes, rules, and agreements.

Chapter 143.006 of the Texas Local Government Code provides that the City Manager's reappointment of a commission member to more than a third consecutive term must be confirmed by a two thirds majority of the City Council.

Eyna Canales-Zarate is a current member of the Commission since January 2015, having been appointed to a third term expiring October 31, 2021. Ms. Canales-Zarate is currently the Vice Chair of the Commission. The City Manager has reappointed Ms. Canales-Zarate to a new, fourth term beginning November 1, 2021 and ending October 31, 2024. The City Manager seeks Council confirmation of the appointment. Ms. Canales-Zarate meets the statutory prerequisites for appointment.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works For All.