

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 14CSC TORLINCASI 2023

SUBJECT

(ALL) Confirm the Reappointment of Ricky Torlincasi as a Member of the City of Fort Worth Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission for a Fourth Consecutive Three-Year Term Expiring on October 1, 2026

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council confirm the reappointment of Ricky Torlincasi as a member of the City of Fort Worth Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission for a fourth three-year term expiring on October 1, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

The City Manager is authorized to appoint, with the consent of the City Council, members of the City of Fort Worth Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission. The term of office of each Commissioner shall be for three years or until a successor is appointed, confirmed and qualified. The City Manager may reappoint a commission member for consecutive terms, but such member may not be reappointed to more than a third consecutive term unless the member's reappointment to a fourth or subsequent consecutive term is confirmed by a two-thirds majority of all the members of the City Council.

Ricky Torlincasi was first appointed as a member of the Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission on August 25, 2015, to fill the expired term of Delonia Watson (M&C G-18543) and reappointed on October 17, 2017 (M&C G-19131). Mr. Torlincasi was also assigned to Place 1 of the Civil Service Commission on December 3, 2019 (M&C 19-0344). Mr. Torlincasi was reappointed on October 20, 2020 (M&C 20-0743).

Mr. Torlincasi is a native of the City of Fort Worth, graduated from Texas Christian University and received his law degree from Texas A& M University School of Law f/k/a Texas Wesleyan School of Law. He currently serves as general counsel of Blackbeard Operating, LLC a private-equity-backed oil and gas company headquartered in Fort Worth. Mr. Torlincasi worked earlier in his career for international and large Texas-based law firms, and while in law school, clerked for the Department of Justice and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas. Apart from his professional work, he devotes his time and resources to serving the local community, including providing pro bono legal services and serving in various capacities as a member of local and state bar and trade associations. Ricky Torlincasi resides in COUNCIL DISTRICT 3.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 143, Texas Local Government Code, the City Manager is requesting the reappointment of Torlincasi as a member of the Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission for a fourth consecutive term. The reappointment must be confirmed by two-thirds majority of the City Council.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that this action will have no material effect on City funds.

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