

CITY MAGISTRATE MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION (CMMSC)

Minutes

Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

Microsoft Teams meeting
Approved on December 16, 2021

MEETING NOTE: Due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which have prompted declarations of a public health emergency at the local, state and federal levels, this meeting will be conducted using measures to protect public health. This meeting will be held remotely through technological means, as permitted under Arizona law. In-person attendance by member of the public will be prohibited.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Chair James Rappaport at 5:33 pm. Those present and absent were:

Members Present:

James Rappaport Chair Dina Dieglio Vice Chair

Zaira Livier
Dee Dee Samet
Mariam Ferguson
Suzette Jimenez

Members Absent:

D. Grady Scott

Others Present:

Bambi Benitez Office Supervisor, City Clerk's Office

Piroschka Glinsky City Attorney's Office

Antonio Riojas Presiding Magistrate, City Court

2. Approval of Minutes for the January 29, 2021, meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Samet, to approve the minute from January 29, 2021.

Chair Rappaport offered an AMENDMENT to strikethrough the last two sentences of the starred (*) paragraph in item #5 Discussion and possible action on recommendation to Mayor and Council regarding the reappointments of Judge Wendy Million and Judge Geraldine Hale.

Commissioner Samet accepted the amendment, motion duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Commissioner Scott absent).

3. Call to the Audience

Presiding Magistrate Riojas made comments regarding Judge Klotz.



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4. *Interview Process of the Reappointment of Judge Jeffrey A. Klotz

It was moved by Chair Rappaport, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0, (Commissioner Scott absent/excused) to enter into Executive Session for this item as noticed on the agenda.

RECESS: 5:51 P.M.

RECONVIENE: 6:37 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: All present (Commissioner Scott absent/excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Bambi Benitez, City Clerk's Office

Piroschka Glinsky, City Attorney's Office

Executive Session was held from 5:51 p.m. to 6:37 p.m.

5. Discussion and action on the recommendation to Mayor and Council regarding reappointment of Judge Jeffrey A. Klotz

It was moved by Chair Rappaport, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Commissioner Scott absent/excused) to enter into Regular Session for this item.

RECONVIENE REGULAR SESSION: 6:37 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: All present (Commissioner Scott absent/excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Bambi Benitez, City Clerk's Office

Piroschka Glinsky, City Attorney's Office

Discussion held.

It was moved by Chair Rappaport, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Commissioner Scott absent/excused) to recommend Judge Jeffrey A. Klotz for another four-year term to Mayor and Council.

6. Future Agenda Items

Recruitment of new Magistrate to fill Judge Berning's position.

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44

★The City Magistrates Merit Selection Commission may conduct an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section § 38-431.03(A)(1) for the purpose of discussion or consideration of appointment to the position of City Magistrate (A)(2) for the purpose of discussion of records exempt by law from public inspection and (A)(3) discussion or consultation for legal advice with attorney staff.