



City Magistrates Merit
Selection Commission
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CITY MAGISTRATES MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City Magistrates Merit Selection Commission and to the public that the Commission will hold the following meeting which will be open to the public on:

MINUTES

Approved on June 13, 2025

Via Microsoft Teams/Hybrid
Monday, April 28, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.
Mayor and Council Conference Room
First Floor, City Hall
255 W. Alameda St., Tucson, Arizona

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair, James Rappaport at 3:07 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Members Present:

James Rappaport Chair
Dina Dieglio Vice Chair
Jeanne M. Gacke (electronic attendance via Microsoft Teams)
Dee Dee Samet (electronic attendance via Microsoft Teams)
Heidi Steiner
Suzette Jimenez (electronic attendance via Microsoft Teams arrived at 3:15p.m.)

Members Absent/Excused:

Mariam Ferguson

Others Present:

Bambi Benitez, Management Assistant, City Clerk's Office
Ruby Calvo-Gutierrez, Staff Assistant, City Clerk's Office
Jon Paladini, Pierce-Coleman Law Offices

2. Approval of Minutes for the April 4, 2025 meeting

It was moved by Commissioner Samet, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Commissioners Ferguson and Jimenez absent/excused), to approve the minutes from April 4, 2025.

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3. Welcome new Commission Member

a) Jennifer Hogan

4. Public Comment

Applicants Jennifer Rochelle (in person) and Richard Speer (electronic attendance via Microsoft Teams) were both in attendance but made no comments. There were no other public comments.

5. Discussion to fill vacant City Magistrate position*

a) Review/discuss documents related to identify candidate(s) for oral interview(s).

- Bond, Alan D.
- Franklin, Kevin B.
- Lester, Michael J.
- Looney, Shalanda M.
- Parven, William J.
- Rochelle, Jennifer G.
- Skitzki, Paul J.
- Speer, Richard A.

ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 3:13 P.M.

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Bambi Benitez, Management Assistant, City Clerk's Office
Ruby Calvo-Gutierrez, Staff Assistant, City Clerk's Office
Jon Paladini, Independent Legal Counsel

RECONVENED OPEN SESSION: 4:53 P.M.

Chair Rappaport announced the Commission was back in Regular Session.

Resume Regular Session – Direction Regarding Executive Session – Relating to the Vacancy for City Magistrate

It was moved by Vice Chair Dieglio, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, (Commissioner Ferguson absent/excused), to interview the following applicants:

- Bond, Alan D.
- Franklin, Kevin B.
- Rochelle, Jennifer G.
- Skitzki, Paul J.

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6. Future Agenda Items:

- a) Set date for oral interviews of candidates applying for the vacant City Magistrate position.**
- b) Review/discuss documents related to Judge Geraldine Hale.**
- c) Set Date for Reappointment Interview(s) for Judge Geraldine Hale**
The commission scheduled applicant interviews (6a) and the reappointment interview for Judge Geraldine Hale (6b & c) for May 15, 2025.
- d) Review/discuss Magistrate Application/Questionnaire changes/edits**
The Commission scheduled this item for discussion on May 15, 2025.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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