



[Commission Name]

CONSENT CALENDAR

April 28, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Human Welfare and Community Action Commission

Submitted by: Samuel Kohn, Chairperson, Human Welfare and Community Action Commission

Subject: Filling a Vacancy among the Elected Representatives for the Poor

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Carlos Hill (District 1), as an elected representative of the poor on the Human Welfare Community Action Commission (HWCAC), having been selected by the commission members at the HWCAC February 19, 2020 meeting, and that his term expires November 18, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

None.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

On February 19, 2020, the HWCAC received the required documentation to elect Carlos Hill as a representative of the poor, who was present at the meeting with the required ten signatures. Commissioner Deyhim made a motion to nominate Carlos Hill to the HWCAC as a representative of the poor. The motion was seconded and carried by Commissioner Bookstein and passed with the following vote: Ayes — Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Behm-Steinberg, Bookstein, Deyhim, Sim; Noes — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Smith, Romo.

BACKGROUND

The HWCAC is made up of fifteen members, nine of whom are appointed by Berkeley City Council members and six of whom are elected representatives of the poor. Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.78.080 stipulates that elections of representatives of the poor are held biennially in the month of November in even numbered years. The next election will take place in November 2020. Subsection C of the code states, "...the remaining representatives of the poor...shall select a person to fill the vacancy until the next election..." and that the, "...name of the selected representatives shall be submitted to the City Council for confirmation." BMC 3.78.030 (b) also states in part, that the remaining elected commission members shall recommend to the Council that the newly elected person fill out the term of the appointment.

At the February 19, 2020 HWCAC meeting, the commissioners selected Mr. Hill to fill one of the current vacancies.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no environmental impacts in adopting this resolution.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Failure to maintain full membership on the HWCAC, which also acts as the Board of the Berkeley Community Action Agency (CAA), could result in a loss of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CITY MANAGER

The City Manager concurs with the content and recommendations of the Commission's Report.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONFIRMING THAT MR. CARLOS HILL MAY FILL ONE VACANCY AMONG THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POOR THAT EXISTS ON THE HUMAN WELFARE AND COMMUNITY ACTION COMMISSION (HWCAC), HAVING BEEN SELECTED BY THE COMMISSIONERS AT THE HWCAC FEBRUARY 19, 2020 MEETING

WHEREAS, Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.78.080 stipulates that election of representatives of the poor are held biennially in the month of November in even numbered years, and the next election will take place in November 2020; and

WHEREAS, Subsection C states "...the remaining representatives of the poor...shall select a person to fill the vacancy until the next election..." and that the "...name of the selected representatives shall be submitted to the City Council for confirmation"; and

WHEREAS, at the February 19, 2020 HWCAC regular meeting, the remaining commissioners selected Mr. Carlos Hill (District 1) to fill one vacancy with his term ending November 18, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berkeley that Mr. Carlos Hill (District 1) is confirmed as an elected representative of the poor serving on the Human Welfare and Community Action Commission until November 18, 2020 and that his term expires November 18, 2020.

