

Legislation Text

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A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Expressing Its Intent Regarding The Annual Election Of The Vice-Mayor.

Communications & Civic Engagement

Staff Recommends: Consideration of the attached Resolution.

Explanation:

Section 2.03 of the City Charter requires the election of the vice-mayor by a majority vote of the total membership of the City Commission eligible to vote, for a term of one year. In the absence of any language in Section 2.03 limiting or restricting the election of the vice-mayor, the election must be open and unconditional.

The City Commission passed Resolution number R-2020-172 that states the City Commission will elect the vice-mayor in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.03 of the City Charter, but in doing so, it intends, as a general rule, to elect the commissioner who has continuously held the office of commissioner the longest without having served as the vice-mayor.

The City Commission expressed its intent to further clarify the election of the vice-mayor. In the event there is a tie among the commissioners with the continuously held office of commissioner the longest without having served as the vice-mayor, the commissioner from the district that has not had a commissioner serve as vice-mayor the longest shall be appointed.

Fiscal Impact: Approval of this resolution will not fiscally impact the City.

Recommended for inclusion on the agenda by: Douglas R. Gonzales, City Attorney