

★ **Roll Call Number**

Agenda Item Number

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Date July 26, 2010

Communication from Matt Rosen, Chair of the Greater Des Moines Sister Cities Commission advising of the following resignations effective immediately for the following.

- (1) Shuxin Cui
- (2) George Davis, III
- (3) Cynthia Nahas
- (4) Alex Piedras
- (5) Janis Ruan

Moved by _____ to receive, file and accept resignations with appreciation for their service.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
GRIESS				
HENSLEY				
MAHAFFEY				
MEYER				
MOORE				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

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Herzberg, Karen M.

From: Rauh, Diane I.
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 3:10 PM
To: Herzberg, Karen M.
Subject: FW: Sister City Commission Member attendance

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From: Warburton, Joyce M.
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 2:45 PM
To: Rauh, Diane I.
Cc: Collins, Emily L.
Subject: FW: Sister City Commission Member attendance

Diane,

Please see the following communication from the Chair of the Greater Des Moines Sister City Commission for action at the next City Council meeting.

Thank you,
Joyce

Joyce M. Warburton
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From: Matt Rosen [<mailto:m.rosen@mchsi.com>]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 2:04 PM
To: Warburton, Joyce M.
Subject: Sister City Commission Member attendance

Joyce:

As a result of attendance absences in excess of the policy established by the City Council, I have spoken with each of the below listed individuals who have indicated their intention of resigning from the Sister City Commission. Since they have not tendered letters of resignation, I would ask that their seats be vacated by the City Council action.

1. Shuxin Cui: I believe that Ms. Cui has already submitted her letter of resignation to the City of Johnston. Ms. Cui contacted me and stated that work and graduate school requirements make attendance at meetings very difficult. She stated that she would still work as a volunteer on Commission projects like the Asian Festival.
2. Toby Davis: Mr. Davis told me that his job requirements prevented him from attending many meetings and thus would thus resign.
3. Cynthia Nahas: Ms. Nahas is teaching a class for Upper Iowa University at the same time that the Commission meets and is thus unable to attend meetings. She wishes to remain active in other Commission activities but says that she wishes to resign her Commission seat.
4. Alex Piedras: Mr. Piedras is pursuing a graduate degree. The classes that he takes meet on the same night that the Commission meets; and thus, regrettably states that he must resign. I believe that he has already been in touch with Councilman Mahaffey.
5. Janis Ruan: Mrs. Ruan states that she is very supportive of the work of the Commission, but that her travel schedule and other in-town commitments with Boards, and organizations make attendance at meetings extremely difficult; and thus, respectfully wishes to tender her resignation.

Thanks for your help.

Matt