

★ Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

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Date May 22, 2017

Communication from Michael Bowser advising of his resignation from the Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission, Seat 7, effective immediately.

Moved by _____ to receive, file and accept resignation with appreciation for his service.

Replacement to be appointed by: Council Member Joe Gatto.

| COUNCIL ACTION | YEAS | NAYS | PASS | ABSENT |
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| COWNIE | | | | |
| COLEMAN | | | | |
| GATTO | | | | |
| GRAY | | | | |
| HENSLEY | | | | |
| MOORE | | | | |
| WESTERGAARD | | | | |
| 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

Rauh, Diane I.

From: Michael Bowser <michaelbowser@mac.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Barr, Joshua V.
Cc: Cownie, Frank; Rauh, Diane I.
Subject: Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission

Dear Director Barr,

It has been an honor to serve the City of Des Moines as a commissioner for the Civil and Human Rights Commission.

As you know, I had agreed to continue serving past the expiration of my last term. Since that time various commissioners continue to miss meetings well beyond what is permitted by city code. This has led to meetings where no quorum is present and significant amounts of my time is left wasted. It is also apparent that the will of some commissioners is to have less meetings and to speak out for fewer people when it is not politically comfortable. I have no interest in further serving at a time when minimizing the work and voice of the commission is regularly a topic of discussion.

I wish you and the commission all of the best moving forward.

Respectfully yours,

Michael Bowser

City of Des Moines, Iowa
Boards and Commissions
Board Composition

Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission

Description: Receives and investigates discrimination complaints, formulates a comprehensive education program to eliminate discrimination, and recommends ways to discourage prejudice. Name changed to the Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission, Ord. # 15,283, May 19, 2014, Roll Call No. 14-0779.
Staff contact: Joshua Barr - 283-4284
Term length: Three year
Expiration: First Monday in April
Meetings: 4:30 PM, Second Thursday each month,
Location: 1551 E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway
Richard A. Clark Municipal Services Center, Second Floor, Room: Council Chambers
Requirements: GENDER BALANCE REQUIRED - Seven members broadly representative of the community.
Prof. requirements:

Member Information

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| Michelle Book 2935 Sioux Court Des Moines 50321 | (C): 515 238-1764 (D): 515 867-2880 (E): (W): | Term expires: 04/16/2019 Took office: 06/13/2016 Appointed by: 3 - Ward 3 Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Female |
| Seat: 06 - Citizen of DM | | |
| Michael Bowser 300 Walnut Street, #104 Des Moines 50309 | (C): (D): 515 262-0000 (E): 515 473-0002 (W): 515 262-0000 | Term expires: 04/01/2017 Took office: 01/24/2011 Appointed by: 4 - Ward 4 Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Not eligible for reappointment Gender: Male |
| Seat: 07 - Citizen of DM | | |
| Daniel Garza 2128 E. Hughes Avenue Des Moines 50320 | (C): 515 282-2691 (D): 515 339-2903 (E): (W): | Term expires: 04/01/2015 Took office: 10/15/2013 Appointed by: 7 - Mayor Residing in Ward: 4 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Male |
| Seat: 01 - Citizen of DM | | |
| Izaah Knox 695 Hickman Road Des Moines 50314 | (C): (D): 515 991-9018 (E): (W): 515 991-9018 | Term expires: 04/01/2018 Took office: 09/28/2015 Appointed by: 2 - Ward 2 Residing in Ward: 1 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Male |
| Seat: 05 - Citizen of DM | | |

Member Information

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| Kameron Middlebrooks 1060 14th Street Des Moines 50314 | (C): (D): 515 371-6014 (E): (W): 515 954-8170 | Term expires: 04/01/2020 Took office: 03/07/2016 Appointed by: 1 - Ward 1 Residing in Ward: 1 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Male |
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Seat: 04 - Citizen of DM

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| Donna Red Wing 1146 37th Street Des Moines 50311 | (C): 515 227-6310 (D): 515 227-6310 (E): (W): | Term expires: 04/01/2018 Took office: 02/08/2016 Appointed by: 5 - At Large A - Moore Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Female |
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Seat: 02 - Citizen of DM

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| Emily Shields 21 SW 52nd Des Moines 50312 | (C): (D): 515 321-6024 (E): 515 235-4684 (W): | Term expires: 04/01/2020 Took office: 04/01/2017 Appointed by: 6 - At Large B - Coleman Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Eligible for reappointment Gender: Female |
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Seat: 03 - Citizen of DM
