



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION relating to the 20-day procedural process pursuant to City Charter Article XIX for filling the vacancy in Council Position 8 until certification of the November 2017 election results for Position 8. WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council elected Councilmember Tim Burgess (Position 8, Citywide) as the 55th

Mayor of Seattle on September 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Council Position 8 became vacant when Councilmember Burgess took the oath to become Mayor on September 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides the City Council 20 calendar days to fill a vacant Council Position which in this case is from Monday, September 18, to Sunday, October 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, if the Council does not fill the vacant position by the end of that 20-day period, the Council must meet and ballot at least once every business day thereafter until the vacancy is filled (Charter Article XIX, Section 6); and

WHEREAS, in the true spirit of democracy, the 20-day process proposed should allow for an open, transparent appointment process with public input; and

WHEREAS, candidates for appointment should demonstrate an understanding of Seattle City government operations, budgeting, and legislative process; demonstrate knowledge of the public policy issues associated with potential Committee assignments; demonstrate a commitment to social justice and the ability to communicate and collaborate effectively across cultures and with diverse populations; and a desire to serve the people of Seattle as a public official; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE THAT:

Section 1. After consulting with Councilmembers, the City Attorney's office, the City Clerk, and the Central Staff director, the Council will endeavor to follow the process described in Attachment A to this resolution to fill the vacancy in Council Position 8 pursuant to City Charter Article XIX, Section 6, until certification of the November 2017 election results for Position 8.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2017, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2017.

President _____ of the City Council

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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Attachments:

Attachment A - Council Vacancy Process