



Date: February 4, 2020

To: East Bellevue Community Council

From: Karin Roberts, Deputy City Clerk

Subject: Election of Officers

Each year at the February meeting of the Community Council, or as soon thereafter as an election may be held, election of officers takes place. This includes the election of a Chair, Vice Chair, and Alternate Vice Chair. A candidate must receive at least three votes to be elected. As the Community Council proceeds with the election of officers, please keep in mind the following:

- A member can nominate themselves.
- It is permissible to speak to nominations.
- A member can decline a nomination.
- An election to an office becomes final immediately if the candidate is present and does not decline, or if they are absent but have consented to their candidacy.
- If the candidate is absent and has not consented to their candidacy, the election becomes final when they are notified of their election, provided that they do not immediately decline.
- If the candidate does decline, the election is incomplete, and another vote can be taken immediately or at the next meeting without further notice.

In addition, the Community Council's Rules of Procedure Section 9. Voting states the following:

- Voting shall be accomplished by voice or through a showing of hands. Secret balloting is prohibited. Proxy votes of members not present are not valid votes. All votes shall be recorded in the summary minutes.
  - Tie Vote – The passage of a motion is defeated by a tie vote, provided that the question may be brought forward again at the request of any member at the same meeting or at the next meeting when any members who were absent or disqualified at the time of the vote are present.
  - Failure to Vote – Any Community Councilmember who fails to vote without a valid disqualification shall be declared to have voted in the affirmative on the question.
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