



CITY OF DURHAM | NORTH CAROLINA

Memorandum

Date: July 7, 2015

To: Mayor and City Council

From: D. Ann Gray, City Clerk

Subject: Extension of Terms for City Council Appointments to the Durham Workforce Development Board (DWDB)

Executive Summary

This item contains a recommendation that the terms of DWDB members listed herein be extended as outlined below. The recommendation would be consistent with the current bylaws of the DWDB - specifically Article III: Membership, Section 5 that stipulates that “a full term is 4 years, running July 1 through June 30.” It is also consistent with the City Administrative Procedures Affecting Term Limits for Council Appointments to the Durham Workforce Development Board, approved August 6, 2012, which stipulated that a full term is 4 years; so that Council appointments to the DWDB would comply with Article IV, Section 5.

Recommendation

To extend the terms of the following Durham Workforce Development Board Members in order to coincide with the Durham Workforce Development Board Bylaws and Council’s action of August 6, 2012:

- Paul Grantham (term to expire on June 30, 2017)
- Megan Risley (term to expire on June 30, 2017)
- William Ingram (term to expire on June 30, 2017)
- Wade Smedley (term to expire on June 30, 2017)
- Steven Williams (term to expire on June 30, 2017)
- Ernest Mills, (term to expire on June 30, 2018)
- Ari Medoff (term to expire on June 30, 2018)

Issues and Analysis

In order to match the County's procedure of appointing for two, 2-year terms, the City Clerk's office did not adjust its procedures. Specifically, the afore-mentioned citizens did not receive a 4-year term as approved by Council.

Alternatives

The City Council could choose not to approve the recommendation. Not approving the recommendation would be inconsistent with the DWDB Bylaws. Those Bylaws are accepted by the State under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act as of July 1, 2015. Also, the terms for a number of private sector appointments to the Durham Workforce Development Board would expire, leaving the membership of the Board out of compliance with the tenets of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact with this item.