

CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 15, 2024

PREPARED BY: Anthony J. Mejia, City Clerk

REQUEST: ESTABLISHMENT OF A CITY COUNCIL AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON
MAYORAL ROTATION

RECOMMENDATION:

Confirm the appointment of Mayor Pro Tem Harnik and Mayor Quintanilla to a City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee on the Mayoral Rotation.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

In September 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-61 establishing procedures for the selection of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. The current policy sets out the prioritized criteria for selecting the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem including procedures when two or more members are sworn into office on the same day in the same district.

Due to the City's transition to five single-member districts, it is necessary to update the policy to address the selection process during the transition period and thereafter. There is a myriad of ways to select the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem and it is requested that the City Council create an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to provide guidance to City staff in researching potential options for presentation to the full City Council. It is anticipated that City staff will complete the research and present options to the City Council prior to the November 2024 General Municipal Election.

Legal Review:

This report has been reviewed by the City Attorney's office.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

ATTACHMENT:

Resolution No. 2021-61