

Council Business Meeting

January 31, 2023

Agenda Item	Election of the Chair of the Council	
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SUMMARY

The Chair of the Council is selected each year in January. The Chair's role is to serve as the Mayor if she is absent or unable to attend to her duties, either pre-scheduled or in an emergency capacity.

POLICIES, PLANS & GOALS SUPPORTED

The Ashland City Charter outlines the procedure for selecting and the responsibilities for the Chair of the Council:

Section 8. Chair of the Council - At the first regular meeting of the Council in January of each year, the Council shall by ballot elect a Chair of the Council from its membership to serve for one (1) year. He/she shall, during all times when the Mayor is absent or unable to attend to his/her duties or act in any matter, have and exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Mayor, except that he/she shall retain his/her Council member's right to vote. If, at any meeting of the Council, both Mayor and Chair are absent, the Council members present shall elect one of their number as Chair Pro Tem, who shall preside at that meeting.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

Each year, the Council votes one Councilor to become the Chair of the Council.

BACKGROUND AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

N/A

ACTIONS, OPTIONS & POTENTIAL MOTIONS

I move to confirm _____ as Chair of the Council for one year.

REFERENCES & ATTACHMENTS

None