



**Request for City Council Committee Action
from the Department of Neighborhood & Community Relations (NCR)**

Date: May 15, 2015

To: Health, Environment & Community Engagement Committee

Referral to: City Council

Subject: Appointees to the Minneapolis Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

Recommendation: Council Approval of the following 3 ward representative appointments and 1 non-ward representative appointment (member at large) to the Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Aging

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<u>Appointments</u> Name and Category if any	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward Home =H	Term # of years	Term Begin/End	Board Seat's member's name that this Appointee is replacing
Diane Sprague Member at Large	Mayor/Council President with Council Approval	H=10	2 years	01/01/2015 – 12/31/2016	New Seat
Charlie Lankin Ward 2	Mayor/Council President with Council Approval	H=2	2 years	01/01/2015 – 12/31/2017 (Filling unexpired term)	Thomas Leavey
Flo Castner Ward 5	Mayor/Council President with Council Approval	H=5	2 years	01/01/2015 – 12/31/2017 (Filling unexpired term)	Fay Harrison
Paulette Will Ward 10	Mayor/Council President with Council Approval	H=10	2 years	01/01/2015 – 12/31/2016	Long Standing Vacancy

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact.

Community Impact:

- City Goals
 - One Minneapolis

Background Information:

As established by Resolution 99R-025, The Senior Citizen Advisory Committee currently has 23 members, and an additional three seats designated as Members at Large according to their bylaws. Thirteen members are ward appointments, which need to be qualifying seniors – over the age of 55. Ten appointments are Organizational Representatives of an organization that funds or provides key services to seniors. These Organizational Representatives need not be age 55, nor are they required to be a resident of Minneapolis. The three Members at Large seats currently do not need to be over age 55, nor are they required to be a resident of Minneapolis.

The term of appointments are staggered; eleven are regular two-year terms being on January 1 in odd numbers years and twelve are regular two-year terms begin on January 1 in even numbered years. At large terms are for a period of two years and begin on January 1.

Supporting Information:

On August 2014 the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee voted unanimously to request the Minneapolis City Council approve its recommendation to change the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee and its current structure of 23 members, according to Resolution 99R-025, and an additional three seats designated as Members at Large according to their bylaws.

If the Committee concurs with this request, the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee will be reconstructed to change the name to the Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Aging, and the composition of said advisory committee will be modified to reflect thirteen voting members representing each ward and four members at large (ten voting seats representing organizations who serve seniors will be eliminated). All seventeen members will have voting rights as stated in their bylaws. Term limits will not change; there are seven regular two-year terms being on January 1 in odd numbers years and six regular two-year terms begin on January 1 in even numbered years. At large terms are two years long and begin on January 1.

The members of the newly restructured Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Aging will provide the oversight, monitoring and evaluation, with the assistance of the Department of Neighborhood and Community Relations and other stakeholders, of the Minneapolis for a Lifetime Strategy, which was adopted by the Minneapolis City Council in November, 2013. The renaming and restructuring of the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee to the Minneapolis Advisory Committee on Aging reflects the current needs, issues and opportunities of the aging population in Minneapolis and statewide based on census data and national and local research and studies.