



## Request for City Council Committee Action

**Date:** October 10, 2006

**To:** Council Member Scott Benson, Chair, Health, Energy & Environment Committee

**Subject:** Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights Open Seats

**Recommendation:** Review and selection the following individuals for Mayoral and Council appointments

Appointee Name and Category if any	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward: Indicate Home and/or Work	Number of years of term	Term Beginning/ Ending	Replacing or fulfilling the term of another member: Name, Expiration Date
Greg Schooler		8	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Jason Lucas		10	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Benjamin Braun		1	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
LuAnn Wilcox		3	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Brittany Lewis		4	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Arthur Higinbotham		7	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Paula Hare		7	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Ryan Fisher		11	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Adam Bahner		3	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Amal Abdalla		5	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Adam Free		2	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Vladimir Monroe		3	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Nick Pladson		10	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Kathryn Anderson – Attorney		13	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Mark Miller - Attorney		7	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Re-Appointments Name and Category if any	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward: Indicate Home and/or Work	Number of years of term	Term Beginning/ Ending	Replacing or fulfilling the term of another member (if applicable): Name, Expiration Date
John Oberreuter	City Council	13	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Andrew Hauer	City Council	7	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	
Kenneth Brown	Mayor	9	3	09/01/06 08/31/09	

**Previous Directives:** None.

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**Approved by:** Michael K. Browne, Interim Director

**Presenters in Committee:** Michael K. Browne, Interim Director

**Financial Impact:** No financial impact. Action is within current department budget.

**Background/Supporting Information:** There are a total of twenty-one (21) members appointed to the MCCR, six (6) of which must be attorneys, with a maximum of eight (8) attorneys. Of the appointments to the MCCR, the Mayor has a total of fourteen (14) appointments and the City Council has a total of seven (7) appointments. These appointments are staggered over three (3) years.

The Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights (MCCR) currently has a total of eleven (11) open seats, of which two (2) seats need to be attorney Commissioners and nine (9) non-attorney Commissioners.

To fill these seats, the MCCR has recently accepted applications from nineteen (19) individuals. Of these applicants, two (2) are attorneys, seventeen (17) are non-attorney and three (3) are Commissioners who are re-applying. One (1) application will be dismissed because they live outside of the City of Minneapolis, leaving a total of eighteen (18) eligible applicants. These applicants will testify before the Health, Energy and Environment Committee on Thurs., October 12, 2006.

**The following individuals have submitted applications for appointment or re-appointment to the Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights:**

Benjamin Braun	Ward 1	
Adam Free	Ward 2	
Adam Bahner	Ward 3	
Vladimir Monroe	Ward 3	
LuAnn Wilcox	Ward 3	
Brittany Lewis	Ward 4	
Amal Abdalla	Ward 5	
Paula Hare	Ward 7	
Arthur Higinbotham	Ward 7	
Mark Miller	Ward 7	Attorney
Andrew Hauer	Ward 7	Seeking Re-Appointment
Greg Schooler	Ward 8	
Kenneth Brown	Ward 9	Seeking Re-Appointment
Jason Lucas	Ward 10	
Nick Pladson	Ward 10	
Ryan Fisher	Ward 11	
Kathryn Anderson	Ward 13	Attorney
John Oberreuter	Ward 13	Seeking Re-Appointment

**The following is the current ward representation:**

Ward 1	= 1	Ward 8	= 1
Ward 2	= 0	Ward 9	= 3
Ward 3	= 0	Ward 10	= 1
Ward 4	= 1	Ward 11	= 1
Ward 5	= 0	Ward 12	= 0
Ward 6	= 0	Ward 13	= 0
Ward 7	= 2		

There are currently a total of ten (10) Commissioners, which includes a total of six (6) attorneys.

There should be a total of twenty-one (21) Commissioners, which should include a total of eight (8) attorneys.

There is a need to appoint a total of eleven (11) Commissioners.

Two (2) appointments should be attorney Commissioners and the other nine (9) appointments should be non-attorney Commissioners.

**The following is the break down of the Mayoral and the City Council appointments:**

Currently, there are a total number of six (6) Mayoral appointments to be made.

Currently, there are a total number of five (5) City Council appointments to be made.

**Mayoral:** One (1) appointment will fill one (1) vacancy and the balance of one (1) unexpired term through 8/31/07.

**Mayoral:** Two (2) appointments will fill two (2) vacancies and the balance of two (2) unexpired terms through 8/31/08.

**Mayoral:** Three (3) appointments will fill three (3) vacancies and three (3) new terms beginning 9/1/06 and ending 8/31/09.

**City Council:** One (1) appointment will fill a vacancy and the balance of one (1) unexpired through 8/31/07. Matt Gladue (Ward 9) resigned on 9/18/2006.

**City Council:** Four (4) appointments will fill four (4) vacancies and four (4) new terms beginning 9/1/06 and ending 8/31/09.

The slate of candidates for the Mayoral appointments and recommendations for the Council appointments will be made after applicants have testified before the HE & E Committee and the subcommittee comprised of a representative from the Mayor's office and the HE & E Chair have convened to select applicants. The selected applicants will then go forward to City Council for approval.

