



# City of Pensacola

## City Council Special Meeting

### Agenda - Draft

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Tuesday, November 26, 2019, 9:00 AM

Council Chambers, 1st Floor

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#### Election of Council President and Vice President

#### ROLL CALL

#### ACTION ITEMS

##### 19-00504 APPOINTMENT - CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**Recommendation:** That City Council appoint one of its members as President for a period of one year expiring November 24, 2020.

**Sponsors:** Andy Terhaar

**Attachments:** *Nomination Forms - Jewel Cannada-Wynn*  
*Nomination Form - Jared Moore*  
*Nomination Forms - Sherri Myers*  
*Ballot*

##### 19-00505 APPOINTMENT - CITY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

**Recommendation:** That City Council appoint one of its members as Vice President for a period of one year expiring November 24, 2020.

**Sponsors:** Andy Terhaar

**Attachments:** *Nomination Form - Jewel Cannada Wynn*  
*Nomination Form - John Jerralds*  
*Nomination Form - Jared Moore*  
*Nomination Form - Sherri Myers*  
*Nomination Form - P.C. Wu*  
*Ballot*

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### ADJOURNMENT

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# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

**File #:** 19-00504

City Council Special Meeting

11/26/2019

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** City Council President Andy Terhaar

**SUBJECT:**

APPOINTMENT - CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council appoint one of its members as President for a period of one year expiring November 24, 2020.

**HEARING REQUIRED:** No Hearing Required

**SUMMARY:**

***Sec. 4.03. City Council Procedures***

**(e) President, Vice President of City Council.** The City Council shall elect one of its Members as president and another as vice president on the fourth Tuesday in November of each year. The City Council may remove the City Council president or vice president by an affirmative vote of at least five (5) City Council Members. In the event of vacancy in the office of president or vice president, the City Council shall elect one of its Members to fill the remaining term of the vacant position. The president shall preside at the meetings of the City Council and in his or her absence, the vice president shall preside. The president shall perform the duties consistent with the office and as otherwise imposed by the City Council.

The following Council Members have been nominated:

**Nominee**

**Nominated by**

Jewel Cannada-Wynn  
Jared Moore  
Sherri Myers

Cannada-Wynn, Moore, Myers  
Hill  
Jerralds, Myers

**PRIOR ACTION:**

City Council appoints one of its members as President annually.

**FUNDING:**

Budget: N/A

Actual: N/A

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Nomination Forms - Jewel Cannada-Wynn
- 2) Nomination Form - Jared Moore
- 3) Nomination Forms - Sherri Myers
- 4) Ballot

**PRESENTATION:** No

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Jewel Cannada Wynn, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Jewel Cannada Wynn for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

***PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL***

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

my 1st year  
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*Cannada Wynn*  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

*Ericka L. Burnett*  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Jared Moore, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Jewel Cannada-Wynn for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

***PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL***

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

Councilwoman Cannada-Wynn has demonstrated a commitment to quality-of-life issues  
pertinent to Pensacola while maintaining a diplomatic demeanor and constructive commentary,  
which fosters an environment for productive, open discussions.



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City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

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Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I, Sherri Myers, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Jewel Cannada Wynn for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

Council member Cannada-Wynn has served as  
council president in the past, and as chair of  
the CRT for many years. She is well qualified.  
Further, as 2020 is her last year on council  
I would for council to show her our appreciation  
for her many years of service. Lastly, she  
has no political ambitions to be served  
by this appointment.

  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Ann Hill, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Jared Moore for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

***PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL***

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

He has a sense of fairness and  
studying all sides of an issue  
that I admire.

Ann Hill  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

Ericka L. Burnett  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk



CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I, John Terralls, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Sherri Myers for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

I recommend Council member  
Sherri Myers for the position of  
President of City Council based  
on her background in education  
in law and her strong support  
of community issues.

John Terralls  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

Ericka L. Burnett  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

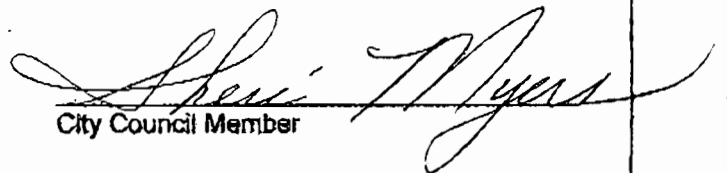
I, Sherri Myers, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Sherri Myers for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

I have served on City Council  
for 9 years. I served as  
vice chair in 2018.

See attachment for further  
comments.

  
City Council Member

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nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

## **Re: Nomination of Sherri Myers for President Pensacola City Council 2020**

Date: November 21, 2019

I served as the vice president of the Pensacola City Council during the year 2018. It is the only position I have held on City Council during the 9 years I have served as a city council member.

Traditionally and presumptively, the vice president is elected to become president of the council unless the person holding the position of VP declines to serve.

While, I did not take it for granted that I would be elected president, I believe the public assumed I would become president. When the vote was cast by one deciding vote (P.C. Wu) for the current president Andy Terhaar, many were in shock. However, I wasn't shocked or surprised for many reasons as set forth in this memorandum.

P.C. Wu, who had served as council president in the past, and held other positions such as chair of the CRA (nominated by me), wanted to be president of the council in 2019 as evidenced by the fact that he nominated himself for president, and he was the lone vote for himself. (Attachment nomination and vote tally). Nominated for vice president were Andy Terhaar and P.C. Wu. (Andy Terhaar had previously served as the council president in 2015.) I nominated P.C. Wu for vice president for 2019. When the first vote for president was cast, I received 3 votes and Andy Terhaar received 3 votes. P.C. Wu voted for himself. On the second round of voting P.C. Wu knew that he was the swing vote and he would decide the outcome, he said as much. P.C. Wu voted for Andy Terhaar for president. After, the vote P.C. Wu leaned toward me and said, "Don't worry, you will be on council another four years and have a chance to be president". I didn't respond. I walk out of the council chambers.

So, why did P.C. Wu vote for Andy Terhaar? The answer is pretty straight forward; with Andy Terhaar in the president's seat there would be no opposition for P.C. Wu to be vice president – he would get it unopposed by acclamation which is exactly what happened. P.C. Wu assumed he would move up from vice president to president in 2020. However, his move to position himself as president when he runs for his seat in 2020 set the stage to change that presumption as evidenced by the fact that I did not become president.

What happened to me was not fair. It happen because there isn't a process for removing politics, lobbying, self-serving, and personal biases for the process. For

years, I have advocated for a process that rotates the president and vice president based on districts. A rotation of districts will eliminate actions taken for political or personal reasons that result in unfairness.

In my case, I think the larger issues is not just P.C. Wu's self-serving actions, but rather the realities of cultural attitudes, male dominance, sexism and misogyny that women in public life encounter, both subtle and blatant.

Serving on city council has not been an easy ride for me beginning with my first successful run for city council. My first encounter with my endurance race as a public official began when I announced I was running for the District 2 seat held by Sam Hall who decided to vacate the seat and run at large. Shortly, after my announcement in 2010, Councilman Hall called me up and gave me the good news that he thought I would win "because you have the best looking tits in Pensacola". I won, not because of my body parts, but because of my message. However, I was soon to learn that my message was not welcomed by city council, especially by three councilmen, namely Sam Hall, Brian Spencer and Larry Johnson. The three would often walk out in unison when I was speaking. Larry Johnson even put his hands over his ears one time when I was speaking. Johnson attempted to have me removed from city council. Johnson recruited a person to run against me during my second term and personally sent out urgent letters and e-mails to raise money to ensure I didn't serve a second term. In his fund raising messages he characterized me in the typical medieval misogynist and sexist terms as a disruptive women. In 2018, Johnson sarcastically nomination me for council president describing me misogynistically as a controlling female. Several years ago, I said something P.C. Wu didn't like and he leaned over to me and whispered, "One of these days I am going to unload on you". That statement made me very uncomfortable, especially coming from a man. When Rusty Wells served as the city council executive director he drafted amendments to the charter which allows the council to hire its own staff. In the charter amendments drafted by Wells it refers to the council's assistant attorney as "him". This is inappropriate language to use in the charter of a city. The charter should be amended to use gender neutral language. The fact that the charter refers to a charter position as "him" is indicative of systemic sexism within the halls of government.

While I was writing this memorandum, I asked a male friend why men on city council thought they could disrespect me. He responded "because that is how women are treated in the nation's capital" I certainly believe leadership impacts

how people behave. It is always about power. I am not a powerful person. I am not wealthy. I am not connect to any of Pensacola's well connected and powerful. I don't have a pedigree. I am not connected to a powerful man. I am just an old woman – mostly it was old women punished as witches in medieval times for talking or gossiping. Not too much different today except society doesn't put a Scold's Bridle on us or burn us at the stakes.

Why I am writing all of this now? Simple, the herstory of women who struggle in the halls of political power needs to be told and made part of an official record. I write this for all women, past and present and future, whose voices have not been heard, and for those who have been silenced.

**\*Note:** As to Brian Spencer, over the years Brian treated me with respect and I believe we became friends. I will always remember his thoughtful words of comfort and he made me laugh.

Nov 27, 2018

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I P. C. Wu, City Council Member/City Council Member Elect.  
do hereby nominate P. C. Wu for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

***PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL***

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

Previously served as Council President. Past President of FLC  
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P. C. Wu  
City Council Member/City Council Member  
Elect

I hereby certify that the above nomination  
was submitted to my office within the time  
limitations prescribed by the Rules and  
Procedures of Council.

Ericka L. Burnett  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

Ballot -- **President of City Council**

November 27, 2018

Term expiring November 26, 2019

Ballot #57

Tally

3 Sherri Myers

2 Andy Terhaar

1 P.C. Wu

Vote for One

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member

Ballot – **President of City Council**

November 26, 2019

*Term expiring November 24, 2020*

\_\_\_\_\_ Jewel Cannada-Wynn

\_\_\_\_\_ Jared Moore

\_\_\_\_\_ Sherri Myers

**Vote for One**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member





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## Memorandum

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11/26/2019

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** City Council President Andy Terhaar

**SUBJECT:**

APPOINTMENT - CITY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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**HEARING REQUIRED:** No Hearing Required

**SUMMARY:**

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**Nominee**

**Nominated by**

Jewel Cannada-Wynn	Cannada-Wynn
John Jerralds	Myers
Jared Moore	Terhaar
Sherri Myers	Hill
P.C. Wu	Moore

**PRIOR ACTION:**

City Council appoints one of its members as Vice President annually.

**FUNDING:**

Budget: N/A

Actual: N/A

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Nomination Form - Jewel Cannada-Wynn
- 2) Nomination Form - John Jerralds
- 3) Nomination Form - Jared Moore
- 4) Nomination Form - Sherri Myers
- 5) Nomination Form - P.C. Wu
- 6) Ballot

**PRESENTATION:** No

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Jose Canada-Wynn, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Jose Canada-Wynn for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

2 yrs exp  
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Jose Canada-Wynn  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

Erica L. Burnett  
Erica L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Sherri Myers, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate John Terralls for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

Councilman Terralls has served on  
the city council for over 12 years.  
He served as mayor pro tem under  
the former city charter. He does  
not plan to run for the District's  
seat. Therefore, he has no political  
advantage by serving in the position  
of vice president. He has an  
excellent understanding of the role  
of VP and would be in a position to  
chair meetings if needed.

Sherri Myers  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

Encka L. Burnett  
Encka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I ANGY TECHAAAR, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate JARED MOORE for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

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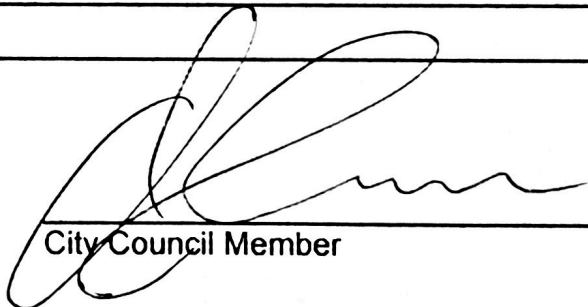
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\_\_\_\_\_  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

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Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Ann Hill, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Sherri Myers for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

**VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL**

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

She knows council policies  
and studies the issues.

Ann Hill  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

Ericka L. Burnett  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

NOMINATION FORM

I Jared Moore, City Council Member, do hereby  
nominate Dr. P.C. Wu for appointment by  
the City Council for the position of:

***VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL***

Provide a brief description of nominee's qualifications:

With the election cycle taking place in 2020, there will be many candidates attending meetings.  
Dr. Wu has demonstrated the ability to maintain order with diplomacy, which will serve as a  
productive example for those candidates.



\_\_\_\_\_  
City Council Member

I hereby certify that the above  
nomination was submitted to my office  
within the time limitations prescribed by  
the Rules and Procedures of Council.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ericka L. Burnett, City Clerk

Ballot – **Vice President of City Council**

November 26, 2019

*Term expiring November 24, 2020*

\_\_\_\_\_ Jewel Cannada-Wynn

\_\_\_\_\_ John Jerralds

\_\_\_\_\_ Jared Moore

\_\_\_\_\_ Sherri Myers

\_\_\_\_\_ P.C. Wu

**Vote for One**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member