

Memorandum

File #: 21-00131

City Council

2/11/2021

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council President Jared Moore

SUBJECT:

COUNCIL MEMBER EMERITUS DESIGNATION FOR FORMER COUNCIL MEMBERS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council bestow the title of Council Member Emeritus to the following former Council Members: Cecil T. Hunter, P.C. Wu, Jewel Cannada-Wynn and John Jerralds. Further that City Council present these former Council Members with a certificate memorializing this designation.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

In an effort to further express the gratitude deserving to those who take of their time to represent the citizens of our community, providing the designation of Council Member Emeritus will continue to express that gratitude and memorialize this designation.

Emeritus is defined in Webster's Dictionary as, "a person retired from professional life but permitted to retain as an honorary title the rank of the last office held, " (noun) or "holding after retirement an honorary title corresponding to that held last during active service." (adjective)

The criteria set for determining receipt of an *Emeritus* designation is a simple review of years of service in the capacity of City Council Member. In order to keep the designation special and relevant and in keeping with the current limits of the City Charter, it has been determined that service of at least 12 years should be the standard criteria; while other criteria could be considered, it is believed that this objective measure is the purest determinant available.

Given this criteria, there are four (4) living former members of City Council who served for a minimum of 12 years in the capacity of City Council Member:

Cecil T. Hunter 1983-1995 P.C. Wu 1/10/2005 - 11/24/2020 Jewel Cannada-Wynn 1/10/2005 - 1/10/2011 (Dist. 6) & 11/27/2012 - 11/24/2020 (Dist.7) John Jerralds 7/20/2000 - 11/27/2012 & 9/04/2019 - 11/24/2020

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The Emeritus designation inures no special consideration to those receiving the designation, other than a certificate and the title.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

FUNDING:

None

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

1) None

PRESENTATION: No