

# METROPOLITAN CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

#### **MINUTES**

April 8, 2014 8:30 a.m.

Howard Office Building Sonny West Room

700 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South and Lindsley Avenue Nashville, Tennessee 37210 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William H. Farmer; Vice-Chairman R. Steve Corbitt; C. Michael Allen; D. Billye Sanders and Jo Ann North.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Veronica T. Frazier, Director; Nicki Eke, Metro Legal Department Attorney

Chairman Farmer called the meeting to order and said the first order of business was to determine if there were any amendments, corrections or questions from the minutes of the last **Regular Meeting** of **March 11, 2014**.

Commissioner North approved the minutes. Second by Commissioner Allen and the Commission approved without objection.

<u>Appeals Process</u>: Nicki Eke read the memorandum pertaining to the Metropolitan Code of Laws 2.68.030 – pursuant to Ordinance BL2006-2050.

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## **APPOINTMENTS**

AFF OINTIMENTS		TVDE	5.475
<u>NAME</u>	CLASSIFICATION	<u>TYPE</u>	DATE
EMERGENCY COMMUNICAT	TION CENTER		
Doss, Amber D. Eye, Victoria M. Harmon, Tanya R. Poindexter, Katie V. Reese, Rachel C. Searcy, Crystal L. A.	Emer Telecommunications Officer 1	New Hire New Hire New Hire New Hire New Hire	2/24/14 2/24/14 2/24/14 2/24/14 2/24/14 2/24/14
<u>FIRE</u>			
Natali, Jaime L. *Boddie, Brittney J.	Human Resources Assistant 1 Info Systems App Analyst 2	New Hire Dept. Transfer / Transition – Civil Service	3/16/14 3/01/14
*Department Transfer from C	IIS (IS Applications Analyst 1, SR10) to Fire	e (IS Applications Analyst 2, SR11)	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOG	SY SERVICE		
Jackson, Debra J. Holland, Codey L.	Information Systems Oper Analyst 3 Information Systems Oper Tech 2	Promotion Promotion	3/15/14 3/15/14
<u>PARKS</u>			
Abdulla, Jafer M. Merritt, Brennan J. Wakefield, Jeffrey M. Vanderpool, Terry J. Flores-Mejia, Fernando Song, Kenneth Kyung Ho Claybrook, Florence C.	Custodian 1 Maintenance & Repair Leader 1 Maintenance & Repair Leader 1 Maintenance & Repair Supervisor Maintenance & Repair Worker 2 Maintenance & Repair Worker 3 Program Coordinator	New Hire Promotion Promotion Promotion Promotion New Hire New Hire	3/24/14 3/01/14 3/07/14 3/14/14 3/14/14 3/01/14
POLICE			
Jinnette, Mandy D. Corcoran, Lou Anne Armstrong, Sarah R. Dowell, Nicole M. Dyer, William K. Little, Terri L. Melzoni Jr, Johnnie E. *Baron, Michael A. *Birch, Brian T. *Brown, Paul W. *Bryson, Tyler G. *Collazo, Michael A. *Croteau, Robert L. *Crowe, William C.	Administrative Assistant Crime Lab Evid Recv Supervisor Crime Lab Forensic Scientist 2 Crime Lab Forensic Technician Police Captain Police Lieutenant Police Lieutenant Police Officer 1	Promotion Promotion New Hire New Hire Promotion Promotion Promotion Class Change	3/01/14 3/01/14 3/16/14 3/16/14 3/01/14 3/01/14 3/07/14 3/07/14 3/07/14 3/07/14 3/07/14 3/07/14

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Name	Classification	Туре	<u>Date</u>		
<u>POLICE</u>					
*Cunningham, Victoria R. *Esqueda, Andy V. *Finnegan, Peter D. *Foster, Melvin J. *Frazier, Jarred A. *Hewitt, Steven G. *Hill, Ashton E. *Hollins, Joshua B. *Kidd, Jeremy R. *Knisley, Peter A. *Littles, Christopher W. *Luffman, Ethan B. *Luu, Ky T. *Massey, Wallis P. *McBride, Terrance B. *Partin, Jacob T. *Stambaugh, Clyde J. *Stanford, Ryan A. *Stein, Paul M. *White, Zachary L. *Williams, Blaze C. *Zwilling, Jared F. Wherry, Shatara D. Williams, Ronald G. Castro, Kayla N. Martinez, Isaac M. Hacker Jr, David M. Lara Jr, Carlos W. *Class Change from Police	Police Officer 1 Police Operations Assistant 1 Police Operations Coordinator 1 Police Operations Coordinator 1 Police Sergeant Police Sergeant	Class Change	03/07/14 03/16/14 03/16/14 03/16/14 03/01/14		
PUBLIC LIBRARY					
Pierce, Amy N. Russell, Jeffrey A.	Circulation Assistant 1 Circulation Assistant 1	New Hire New Hire	03/03/14 03/03/14		
PUBLIC WORKS					
Gill, Victor V. Rowan, Andrew G. Gentry, Rickey Johns, Kevin W. Ewing, Terrence L. Nolan, Darron D. Woods, Brandan D. *Ezell, Jeffrey C. Baugh, Marquez J.	Engineer In Training Engineer In Training Equipment Operator 2 Equipment Operator 3 Maintenance & Repair Worker 1 Maintenance & Repair Worker 1 Maintenance & Repair Worker 1 Recycling Coordinator Sanitation Worker	New Hire New Hire New Hire New Hire New Hire Re-Hire New Hire Class Change/Lateral New Hire	03/01/14 03/17/14 03/17/14 03/17/14 03/18/14 02/18/14 03/18/14 03/04/14 03/01/14		

<sup>\*</sup>Class Change from Program Specialist 3 (SR10) to Recycling Coordinator (SR10)

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

NAME	CLASSIFICATION	TYPE	DATE
<u>SHERIFF</u>			
Allexander, Jobie L.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Allen, Edward N.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire New Hire	03/01/14 03/01/14
Carl, Brett A.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	
Dinaso, Christopher R.	Correctional Officer 1 Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14 03/01/14
Fields, Demetria Y.		Transition - Civil Service	
*Frost, Berlin A.	Correctional Officer 1		03/01/14
Goins, Sammy K. J.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Hensley, Seith E.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Holt, Terrence J.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Irvine, Jared W.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Joseph, Jason O.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Knowles, Donathan T.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Leibach, Benjamin J	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
MacEachron II, Michael A.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
McMahan, Justin B.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Pate, Christopher A.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Reeves, Amanda E.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Riley, Dominik R.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Romine, Cynthia L.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
^Themm, Jason J.	Correctional Officer 1	Demotion	02/28/14
Turner, Terrell D.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Vargas, Fabian A.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Vongsamphanh, Patrick D.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Wells, Kiesha L.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Werner, Ralf	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Willis Jr, Remond	Correctional Officer 1	Re-Hire	03/01/14
Zazworsky, David M.	Correctional Officer 1	New Hire	03/01/14
Gleaves, Derrick L.	Correctional Officer Sergeant	Promotion	03/23/14

<sup>\*</sup>Transition to Civil Service from Security Officer (Non-Civil Service) to Correctional Officer

#### **WATER SERVICES**

Boissiere, Anthanese W.	Compliance Inspector 2	Promotion	03/15/14
Clemons, Lawrence R.	Compliance Inspector 2	Promotion	03/15/14

MOTION: After some discussion, Commissioner North moved for approval of the appointments as listed. Commissioner Allen second and the Commission approved without objection.

<sup>^</sup>Demotion from Correctional Officer 2 to Correctional Officer 1

#### **TERMINATIONS/ PENSIONS**

NAME	CLASSIFICATION	<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	DATE
Kyle, Michael A.	Zoning Examiner	Pension	Codes Administration	
Leflouria Jr, Jesse J.	Emerg Medical Tech 2	Resignation	Fire	03/11/14
Adcox, Jesse Oliver	Fire Captain	Pension	Fire	02/21/14
McIntyre, Richard K.	Fire Captain	Pension	Fire	02/21/14
Jones, Kenneth A.	Fire Fighter 2	Pension	Fire	02/28/14
Soulliere, Randall T.	Fire Fighter 2	Resignation	Fire	03/03/14
Benningfield, Matthew T.	Automotive Mechanic	Resignation	General Services	02/28/14
Henry, Herman G.	Internal Auditor 2	Resignation	Internal Audit	03/07/14
Stephens, Marquis R.	Recreation Leader	Resignation	Parks	03/07/14
Adkerson, Carey J.	Police Officer 2	Dismissed	Police	03/05/14
Rowland, James G.	Police Officer 2	Resignation	Police	03/03/14
Harvey, Tamika R.	Circulation Assistant 1	Resignation	Public Library	03/07/14
Holt, Michael L.	Circulation Assistant 2	Resignation	Public Library	02/28/14
Howerton, Tracey L.	Library Associate 1	Resignation	Public Library	02/23/14
Sherrill, Margaret R.	Library Associate 2	Pension	Public Library	03/14/14
Wright, April L.	Library Associate 2	Resignation	Public Library	02/24/14
Johnson Jr, Gerald L.	Maintenance & Repair Worker 1	Resignation	Public Library Public Works	02/24/14
Medlen, Joshua A.	Maintenance & Repair Worker 1	Resignation	Public Works	02/23/14
Sargent, Christopher P.	Correctional Officer 1	Resignation	Sheriff	02/18/14
Smolik, Amanda M.	Correctional Officer 1	Resignation	Sheriff	03/06/14
Spence, Deestin T.	Correctional Officer 1	Resignation	Sheriff	03/07/14
Swain, Sevoy R.	Correctional Officer 1	Dismissed	Sheriff	02/21/14
Driver, Anthony B.	Customer Service Field Rep 2	Resignation	Water Services	02/21/14
Guy, Dorris T.	Customer Service Field Rep 2	Resignation	Water Services	02/28/14
Moore, Mark K.	Customer Service Field Rep 2	Resignation	Water Services	03/03/14
Cox, Kenneth W.	Treatment Plant Superintendent	Pension	Water Services	03/03/14
Gorrell, Harold W.	Treatment Plant Tech 2	Pension	Water Services	03/14/14
Cooper, Michael T.	Water Quality Analyst 2	Pension	Water Services	02/20/14
Ocoper, Michael 1.	Water Quality Allaryst 2	i GHSIOH	vvaler dervices	02/21/14

MOTION: After some discussion, Commissioner North moved to accept the Termination/Pension report for dates and reasons stated. Seconded by Commissioner Allen and the Commission approved without objection.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REGISTER REPORT**

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u> <u>DE</u>	<u>OI</u>	N LIST	TYP	E DATE	ESTABLISH/A	BOLISH
Librarian 2 Crime Lab Forensic Technician Custodial Services Assistant Supervisor Crime Lab Forensic Scientist 2-Toxicology Unit	Library Police Parks Police	64 248 2 50	Open Open Dept Open	03/05/14 03/07/14 03/07/14 03/07/14	E E E	
Crime Lab Forensic Scientist 2-Drug ID Unit Maintenance & Repair Supervisor IS Operations Technician 2 Plans Examiner Correctional Officer 2	Police Parks ITS Codes Sheriff's Office	74 5 29 31 3	Open Open Open Open Dept	03/07/14 03/10/14 03/11/14 03/11/14 03/12/14	E E E	A
Office Support Specialist 1 Recreation Leader Parks & Recreation Superintendent IS Applications Analyst 2 Human Resources Assistant 1 Industrial Mechanic 1	Library Parks Parks Fire Fire Water	172 1 59 24 306 22	Open Open Open Open Open Open	03/13/14 03/13/14 03/13/14 03/14/14 03/14/14 03/18/14	E E E E	A

#### **ELIGIBILITY REGISTER REPORT**

CLASSIFICATION	<u>DEPT</u>	ON LIST	<b>TYPE</b>	DATE	ESTABLISH/ABOLISH	1
Custodian 1	Parks	92	Open	03/18/14	E	
Police Security Guard 1	Police	133	Open	03/19/14	E	
Human Resources Assistant Director	Human Resources	s 2	Dept	03/19/14	E	
Program Coordinator	Parks	155	Open	03/24/14	Α	
Engineer 2	Water	20	Open	03/24/14	Α	
Office Support Specialist 2	Police	5	Dept	03/25/14	E	
Finance Officer 2	Finance	79	Open	03/25/14	Α	
Program Coordinator	Library	37	Open	03/26/14	E	
Radio Technician 2	General Services	1	Dept	03/28/14	E	

MOTION: After some discussion, Commissioner North moved to <u>approve the register report.</u> Seconded by Commissioner Allen and the Commission approved without objection.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Human Resources Director Veronica T. Frazier, submits the following for the Commission's consideration and appropriate action:

#### (1: Review Initial Order of Corey West, Police – 30 Day Suspension / Termination

Officer Cory West was suspended 30 days and then Termination from his position at the Police Department effective April 17, 2012 for the following violations:

(1) General Order 09-03 Deportment and Personal Appearance; Section VII, Personal Behavior (C) Conduct Unbecoming an employee of the department; (2) Metropolitan Civil Service Rules – Section 6.7, Grounds for Disciplinary Action #11 – Violation of any written rules, policies, or procedures of the department in which the employee is employed; (3) Metropolitan Civil Service Rules; Section 6.7, Grounds for Disciplinary Action; #32 – Any Failure of good behavior which reflects discredit upon himself, the department, and/or the Metropolitan Government and (4) Metropolitan Civil Service Rules; Section 6.7, Grounds for Disciplinary Action; #33 – Conduct unbecoming an employee of the Metropolitan Government.

Officer West appealed his dismissal to the Commission and the case was assigned to Administrative Law Judge Anthony Adgent. Metro Attorney Jon Michael represented Metropolitan Government during the hearing. Attorney Kim Gilleland represented Officer West. The hearing was set originally on August 23, 2012 and again on April 1, 2013 and finally heard on July 2, 2013 by Judge Adgent. After carefully reviewing the case, Judge Adgent entered an *Initial Order on November 6, 2013 Upholding Metropolitan Governments disciplinary action for Suspension of 30 days and Termination.* 

1<sup>st</sup> MOTION: After hearing discussions of this matter and reviewing all information on the case, Vice-Chairman Corbitt moved to uphold the Initial Order that was submitted by Judge Anthony Adgent. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

2<sup>nd</sup> MOTION: Commissioner Allen moved to amend the Administrative Law Judge's Initial Order to a fifteen day (15) day suspension. Seconded by Commissioner North and the Commission approved with one abstention from Commissioner Sanders and one objection from Vice-Chairman Corbitt.

# (2: Review decision of appeal on Parks employee Pam DeSoto, regarding Administrative Leave granted as non-grievable.

Ms. DeSoto, Park Police Officer II from Parks and Recreation, submitted an appeal by her Attorney Ben M. Rose to Human Resources Director Veronica T. Frazier regarding a decision from Director Tommy Lynch of Parks citing the number of days of Administrative Leave granted was non-grievable.

Ms. DeSoto's Attorney Ben M. Rose noted the issue was whether Sgt. DeSoto should be afforded administrative pay pending results of a Departmental Hearing as similarly provided to regular police officers by the Metropolitan Police Department rules. The Parks Department allotted Ms. DeSoto 1 day over the maximum number of administrative Leave with pay days allowed by Civil Service rules.

Metro Attorney Josh Lee, Attorney Ben M. Rose for Ms. DeSoto, HR Manager Sonny Lyons and Director Tommy Lynch was present before the Commission to discuss this matter.

**MOTION:** 

After some discussion, Vice-Chairman Corbitt moved to deny the appeal and to uphold the department's decision that it is non-grievable. Seconded by Commissioner Sanders and the Commission approved without objection.

Break - Five Minutes

#### (3: Deloitte Review of Compensation and Benefit Plans

Greg Stoskopf and Greg Drennan, Deloitte, presented key findings from the Compensation and Benefit Review. These included:
□ "Metro compensation levels were assessed using <b>published survey data</b> based on a sample of 147 jobs covering approximately 4,000 employees and a <b>custom compensation and benefits survey</b> where Deloitte Consulting contacted 17 city and county governments including Metro to solicit participation in the custom survey
□ "Overall, base salaries are within a competitive range of +/- 10% of the market median based on <b>published</b> survey data"
- "Overall, total cash compensation falls within the competitive range"
$\ \square$ "Overall, base salaries are within a competitive range of +/- 10% of the market median based on <b>custom</b> survey data"
□ "Metro health and welfare, retirement, and leave benefits are, in total, over 20% more valuable than averages for peers and the broader public sector market for general employees; in addition, they are over 10% more valuable for public safety employees"
□ "Overall, Metro's compensation and benefits package combined is <b>somewhat above competitive levels</b> "
Deloitte's report also outlined options for addressing both compensation and benefits to bring them more in line

with market and leading practices. John Kennedy stated that HR would review the findings with departments, employee groups, and leadership and bring a pay plan proposal to the Commission at the May 2014 meeting. He also stated that additional study will be required to determine the best long term solution for addressing positions

This was for a report only.

that were found to be below market.

( 4:	Human Resources Updates			
	There were no updates for this meeting	g.		
( 5:	Communiqués from the public on pend	ding hearings		
ACTIO	ON: None			
	With nothing further, the regula	ar meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.		
A	TTEST:	APPROVED:		
	singer Hall, Assistant Director secretary to the Commission	William H. Farmer, Chairman Civil Service Commission		