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MEMO

TO: MEMBERS OF THE METRO PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: METRO NASHVILLE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF DOWNTOWN CODE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DATE: OCTOBER 28, 2021

BACKGROUND

The Downtown Code Design Review Committee is comprised of eight (8) voting members. One member shall be nominated by each of the following with confirmation by the Planning Commission: Chamber of Commerce, Civic Design Center, Downtown Partnership, and the Urban Residents Association. One member shall be appointed by each the following: Mayor, Vice-Mayor (on behalf of Metro Council), Historic Commission, and the Planning Commission. Each member shall be a design professional, with a degree or several years of experience in architecture, landscape architecture, planning or urban design. The members nominated by the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce and the Nashville Downtown Partnership shall be exempt from this requirement.

The DTC DRC is established to review applications seeking Concept Plan approval and modifications to the Downtown Code (the zoning district for Downtown). The DTC recognizes that deviations from the design standards of the Downtown Code from time to time requires the exercise of judgment and that design and business representatives from within the community should inform the exercise of that judgment. Members are familiar with the downtown area and have knowledge of development, design, and land use practices.

The Civic Design Center has nominated Ron Yearwood as their new representative. Ron is a Senior Urban Designer II at a local architecture and urban design firm and the past Design Director of the Nashville Civic Design Center. He has many years of experience working as a design professional in the greater Nashville area. Planning Staff has received his resume and official nomination from the Civic Design Center and confirm that he meets the prerequisites for confirmation by the Planning Commission.