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The Honorable Rod Dembowski
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Dembowski:

Enclosed for consideration and approval by the King County Council is a motion confirming the appointment of the membership of the new King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board (VSHSL).

In 2005, King County Ordinance 15279 provided for two citizen oversight boards to oversee and report on expenditures of veterans and human services levy proceeds. The King County veterans citizen oversight board was created to oversee levy funds for veterans, military service members and their respective families. In addition, the King County regional human services citizen oversight board was created to oversee funds to provide services for a wide range of low-income people in need of such services.

Ordinance 18792, enacted in September 2018, established the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board and added a new section to K.C.C. Chapter 2A.300. Ordinance 18792 directs that the VSHSL advisory board shall consist of thirty members appointed by the executive in accordance with the procedures outlined in the ordinance, and in consultation with the requisite nominating entities outlined in ordinance. The VSHSL advisory board is to be comprised of three, ten- member committees: a veteran's committee, a seniors committee, and a vulnerable populations committee. Initial terms will be staggered as mandated by Ordinance 18792. All board members of the VSHSL advisory board shall reside in King County.

Ordinance 18785, a companion ordinance to Ordinance 18792, and enacted in September 2018, established the King County veterans advisory board (VAB). Ordinance 18785 satisfies RCW 73.08, which requires each county maintain a veterans advisory board. Ordinance 18785 states that the King County veterans advisory board shall be comprised solely of the appointed members of the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board - such that an appointment to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board shall constitute an appointment to the King County VAB.

Generally, the duties of the VSHSL advisory board shall be to:

- 1 Oversee the distribution of VSHSL proceeds dedicated to promoting housing stability, healthy living, financial stability, social engagement and service system access and improvement for veterans and military service members and their respective families, seniors and their caregivers, and vulnerable populations;
- 2 Oversee the distribution of levy proceeds for technical assistance and capacity-building investments;
- 3 Adopt governance bylaws for the discharge of its duties and elect a chair and two vice chairs from its membership;
- 4 Transmit the VSHSL annual report by July 1 of each year; and
- 5 Collaborate amongst the board's committees to achieve investment and oversight coordination of the entire VSHSL advisory board.

The King County veterans advisory board, comprised entirely of the appointed members of the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, shall additionally:

- 1 Advise the executive and the council on the needs of local indigent veterans, and the resources and programs available that could benefit the needs of local indigent veterans;
- 2 Advise the King County department of community and human services, or its successor, on the administration of the King County veterans program; and
- 3 Meet at least four times a year to conduct the business of the board, separate from any meeting of the VSHSL advisory board.

Nominations to the VSHSL advisory board were received from King County councilmembers, the Sound Cities Association, and the Seattle-King County advisory council for aging and disability services. The City of Seattle has not yet provided its three nominees, one for each committee of the board.

Enclosed for consideration and approval by the King County Council is a motion confirming the appointments of the following individuals to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board:

Dr. Samantha Powers, who resides in district one, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district one representative for a two-year term expiring on May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 1 on the King County Veterans advisory board.

Alicia Starova, who resides in district two, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district two representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 2 of the King County Veterans advisory board.

David Waggoner, who resides in district three, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district three representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 3 of the King County Veterans advisory board

Carrol Stripling, who resides in district seven, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as an executive-nominated representative, for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2022. This appointment would also fill position 4 of the King County veterans advisory board.

Robert White, who resides in district eight, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as an executive-nominated representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 5 of the King County veterans advisory board.

Peter Lewis, who resides in district seven, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as a Sound Cities Association representative, for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2022. This appointment would also fill position 6 of the King County veterans advisory board.

Chuck Murrell, who resides in district seven, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district seven representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 7 of the King County veterans advisory board.

Chris Porter, who resides in district eight, to the veterans committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district eight representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021. This appointment would also fill position 8 of the King County veterans advisory board.

Cynthia Snyder, who resides in district three, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as a representative of the Seattle-King County advisory council on aging and disability services, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Dick Woo, who resides in district one, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as a representative of the Seattle-King County advisory council on aging and disability services, for a three-year term expiring on May 31, 2022.

Susan Kingsbury-Comeau, who resides in district three, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district three representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Lee Harper, who resides in district four, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district four representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Patrice Thorell, who resides in district five, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district five representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

John Barnett, who resides in district six, to the seniors committee of the VSHSL advisory board, as the district six representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Nancy Colson, who resides in district seven, to the seniors committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district seven representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Steven Knipp, who resides in district two, to the seniors committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district eight representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Lori Guilfoyle, who resides in district nine, to the seniors committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as a Sound Cities Association representative, for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2022.

Heidi Shepherd, who resides in district one, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district one representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Judith Tobin, who resides in district two, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district two representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Cynthia Goodwin, who resides in district two, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as a Sound Cities Association representative, for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2022.

Rene Murry, who resides in district four to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district four representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Hira Singh Bhullar, who resides in district five, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district five representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Olga Perelman, who resides in district six, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district six representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Kathlyn Paananen, who resides in district two, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as an executive-nominated representative, for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2022.

Michael Tulee, who resides in district one, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as an executive-nominated representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

Michelle Frets, who resides in district nine, to the vulnerable populations committee on the VSHSL advisory board, as the district nine representative, for a two-year term expiring May 31, 2021.

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Enclosed for your information as attachments to this transmittal letter is Attachment A, which includes all board member applications; Attachment B, which includes all board member financial disclosure forms; and Attachment C, which includes all board member appointment letters. Also enclosed, as an attachment to this transmittal letter is Attachment 1, the board profile.

The above mentioned appointment request supports the King County Strategic Plan goal of public engagement by expanding opportunities to seek input, listen and respond to residents. If you have any questions about this appointment, please have your staff call Rick Ybarra, liaison for boards & commissions, at 206-263-9651.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dow Constantine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dow Constantine
King County Executive

Enclosures

cc: King County Councilmembers
ATTN: Carolyn Busch, Chief of Staff
Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council
Dwight Dively, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget
Rick Ybarra, Liaison for Boards & Commissions
Adam Schmid, Staff Liaison