

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 198-15

Department Source: City Manager

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: 7/6/2015

Re: Amending Section 2-262 of the Code of Ordinances: Downtown Columbia Leadership Council Membership

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council Memo, Ordinance/Resolution

Supporting documentation includes: Letter from CHA dated June 3, 2015

Executive Summary

The Downtown Columbia Leadership Council (DCLC) consists of 16 members, three of whom are non-voting members: the director of community development, the director of economic development, and a member appointed from the Columbia Housing Authority (CHA). This ordinance amendment would remove the CHA from membership in the DCLC.

Discussion

The CHA has been an active member of the DCLC since it was formed in 2008. Phil Steinhaus, CEO has served as its representative throughout this time. The attached letter received from Mr. Steinhaus requests that the CHA be removed as a member due to time constraints and other demands related to his position at CHA.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the Ordinance change.

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Legislative History

Ord. 21245; Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to the membership of the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council (February 21, 2012)

Ord. 20672; Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to the membership and duties of the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council (July 7, 2010)

Ord. 19852; Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code to establish a Downtown Columbia Leadership Council (March 18, 2008)

Department Approved

City Manager Approved

Introduced by _____

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 198-15

AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to membership of the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 2-262. Membership; officers.

The Downtown Columbia Leadership Council shall consist of ~~sixteen~~fifteen (~~16~~15) members, ~~three~~two (~~3~~2) of whom shall be nonvoting members. Six (6) members shall be appointed by the city council. At least two (2) members appointed by the city council shall be representatives of recognized neighborhood associations. Applicants for these positions must submit with their application, a letter from an officer of the neighborhood association certifying that the applicant has been designated by the association as its representative. At least one (1) member appointed by the city council shall reside in the expanded downtown development concept plan and study area as defined in the "Downtown Columbia Leadership Council Interim Report" dated May, 2009. The director of community development and director of economic development shall be nonvoting members. Each of the following shall appoint one (1) member: the planning and zoning commission, the Boone County Commission, the Chancellor of the Columbia Campus of the University of Missouri, the President of Columbia College, the President of Stephens College, the Downtown Community Improvement District and the Historic Preservation Commission. ~~The Columbia Housing Authority shall appoint a nonvoting member.~~ Two (2) of the initial members appointed by the city council shall serve a term of one (1) year, two (2) shall serve a term of two (2) years and two (2) shall serve a term of three (3) years. Thereafter, appointments shall be for terms of three (3) years, except that appointments to fill vacancies shall be for unexpired terms only. Members shall serve without compensation. The Downtown Columbia Leadership Council shall elect from its members a chair, vice-chair and secretary. The chair shall preside at meetings. If the chair is absent or unable to preside, the vice-chair shall preside. The secretary shall keep a permanent record of the proceedings of the leadership council.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor



SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Letter from CHA dated June 3, 2015




Housing Authority of the City of Columbia, Missouri

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To: Mr. Mike Matthes, City Manager

From: Phil Steinhaus, CEO 

Date: June 3, 2015

RE: Columbia Housing Authority Participation on the Downtown Leadership Council (DLC)

The Columbia Housing Authority (CHA) is considered an “ex-officio” member of the Downtown Leadership Council (DLC) which was formed in 2008 to “Review the boundaries of the expanded downtown development concept plan and study area and recommend possible development guidelines and physical attributes for downtown Columbia.

I participated as an active member of the DLC through the process of producing the Downtown Charrette report to the City Council in October 2010.

When the DLC was formed in 2008, it was not clear that this would be a standing committee that would continue to meet past the completion of its original charge to deliver recommendations to the City Council through the Charrette Report.

Unfortunately, due to the many demands of the Columbia Housing Authority’s Affordable Housing Initiative and our current plans to renovate our public housing properties, I find that I am unable to commit the time necessary to attend the regular meetings of the DLC.

Since there is an attendance requirement for the DLC, I find that I am in violation of this requirement and the ordinance establishing the DLC.

I reviewed the participation of the Columbia Housing Authority on the DLC with the CHA Board of Commissioners and they have agreed that I should focus my time on the CHA’s Affordable Housing Initiative rather than the work of the DLC.

With that in mind, I respectfully resign from the Downtown Leadership Council and request that the ordinance establishing the DLC be amended to remove the Columbia Housing Authority as an ex officio member.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

cc: CHA Board of Commissioners
Heather Cole, Assistant to the City Manager
Brent Gardner, Chair of the DLC