

Boards and Commissions

Appointment Information,
Procedures and Timeline

September 7, 2005

General Qualifications

- Dallas resident for 6 months
- Qualified voter at time of appointment
- No criminal record considered by Council so serious as to disqualify
- Generally, not an adversary party to litigation against the City
- Not in arrears in city taxes, water service charges, other obligations
- Creditable record of attendance and service for any prior board
- Individuals serving 4th and final term may not be reappointed to the same board
- Specific boards have special qualifications

APPPOINTMENT TIMELINE

- **August 1st**– recommended date for application to be received by City Secretary
- **September 21st** – recommend date to begin appointments
- **Briefing meetings** – recommend for full council and/or individual appointments
- **Regular meetings** – recommend for individual appointments

Individual Councilmember Appointments

- 20 Boards are “Individual Council Appointments” (Including URSB, 2 appointments per Councilmember)
- All Nominations are subject to approval by full Council
- 9 Boards have special qualifications

Full Council Appointments

- 26 Boards with varying number of members appointed by the city council
- Some are shared with other agencies
- Councilmembers may nominate individuals for as many positions as are available on a board
- 14 Boards have special qualifications

DART and DFW Boards

- DART Terms and Appointment Cycle
 - Terms expire July 1
 - 9 City of Dallas positions:
 - 6 positions expire in odd-numbered years
 - 2 positions + a shared position expire in even numbered years
- Identify nominee by place number
- **September 6th** – recommend deadline applications to be received by City Secretary
- **October 3rd** – forward nominees to Transportation and Environment Committee
- **November 2nd** – recommend date to appoint

DART AND DFW Boards

- DFW Terms and Appointment Cycle
 - Terms expire January 31
 - 7 City of Dallas positions
 - 3 Expire in odd-numbered years
 - 3 expire in even-numbered years
 - 7th position is the Mayor
- **October 3rd** – recommend applications to be received by City Secretary
- **December 5th** – forward nominees to Transportation and Environment Committee
- **January 18th** – recommend date to appoint

HOLDOVER ISSUES

- Holdover – a board member whose term has expired may holdover in office indefinitely if no one is ever appointed or qualified to fill the position.
- September 1, all boardmembers will be considered “Holdovers”
 - (except D/FW and some DART members)