

## **Background**

- Article II, Section 2.03, of the Denton City Charter, states, in part, "... The council shall, as soon as possible after the annual election, elect from its membership a mayor pro tem. The mayor pro tem shall act as mayor during the absence or disability of the mayor."
- The election of the Mayor Pro Tem at this meeting will meet the requirement set forth above.
- The process was included as part of the May 12 Friday Report.



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## **Election of Mayor Pro Tem**

The following outlines the nomination/election process for the appointment of a Mayor Pro Tem.

- Mayor opens the floor to nominations for a Mayor Pro Tem.
  - Only after the Mayor <u>announces</u>, "Nominations are now open", can members of the City Council make nominations.
    - If a member indicates a desire to nominate before the announcement, that member will not be acknowledged.
    - Council members must be acknowledged by the Mayor before voicing their nomination.
    - A council member may only make one nomination.
- Mayor shall accept as many nominations as members of the City Council may wish to submit.
  - The nominating council member may make comments to describe the reasoning for their nomination.
  - The Mayor will inquire of each nominee whether they accept the nomination.



## **Election of Mayor Pro Tem - cont'd**

- Mayor shall close the nomination process after verifying there are no more nominations received.
  - At this time, the floor shall be opened for commentary from any member of the City Council.
  - The item is opened for public comment, if any.
- Mayor shall put nominees to a voice vote in the order nomination(s) were submitted.
  - Once a nominee receives a simple majority vote of those members present, no other nominations will be considered.
    - In the event of a tie vote for any/all nominations received, the nominees previously submitted shall again be presented for election.

