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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Finance

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DATE: December 5, 2017

SUBJECT

Consider approval of resolution casting votes for membership to the Board of Directors of the Denton Central Appraisal District; and declaring an effective date.

BACKGROUND

The Denton Central Appraisal District (DCAD) notified the City on August 28, 2017 that the term for members on the current DCAD Board of Directors expires December 31, 2017, and accordingly they began the process to elect a Board of Directors for the next two-year term. On October 10, 2017, the City Council considered a resolution for nominations to the DCAD Board of Directors and took no action. Seven nominations from all taxing jurisdictions were received by DCAD, and a memorandum has now been sent to the City requesting the casting of its votes.

The number of votes a taxing unit has is determined by their proportional share of the total levy in the district from the prior tax year. There are a total of 5,000 votes throughout the district. One thousand votes are the maximum number needed to elect a local representative/nominee to the Board of Directors. In 2015, the City of Denton had 192 votes and allocated all 192 votes to Charles Stafford to serve on the DCAD Board of Directors.

This year, the City has 191 votes and Denton Independent School District has 658 votes. The following is a summarization of DCAD's nomination process.

Prior to October 1st - DCAD notifies taxing entities of the number of votes they are entitled to cast for appointing board members.

Prior to October 15th - Nominations are submitted to DCAD by each jurisdiction.

Prior to October 30th - DCAD compiles a comprehensive list of the nominees and forwards to each taxing unit in the form of a ballot.

Prior to December 15 - The taxing jurisdictions choose by written resolution the candidate (s) of their choice. The jurisdiction then submits the name (s) and the votes cast to DCAD.

Prior to December 31st - DCAD tabulates the votes and forwards the results back to the jurisdictions. The five candidates that receive the most votes become the Board of Directors as of January 1st.

The seven candidates nominated by the taxing jurisdictions and a breakdown of the 5,000 votes is attached as Exhibit 2. Nominee Robert Gallagher has stated that he does not want to be reappointed.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has included a resolution that allows the City Council to determine the allocation of the City's 191 votes for the DCAD Board of Directors.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

On September 15, 2017, the City Council received an Informal Staff Report summarizing the nomination and election process for the DCAD Board of Directors.

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STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: Organizational Excellence

Related Goal: 1.1 Manage financial resources in a responsible manner

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. DCAD Memorandum and Board Applications
3. Resolution

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