

Memo

To: Commissioners

From: Wayne Barnett

Date: January 7, 2009

Re: Update on 2004 Staggering memo

In 2004, the Commission was not interested in pursuing this issue. At the time, two City Council appointments hadn't been acted on in some time, and the Commission did not want to further complicate the appointment process.

If the Commission is interested in pursuing this issue in 2009, the easiest way to bring the Commission appointment process into line would be for the Mayor to fill one of the appointments that expired at the end of 2008 with an appointee whose term would expire on December 31, 2010, the year that two Council appointments' terms expire. The Council could either act now to extend one of those terms to expire on December 31, 2011, or it could make a one- or four-year appointment when filling one of the terms that expires on December 31, 2010.