

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 3, 2023**

**MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER**

An organization meeting of the Council of the City of Chester was held on the above date at 10:03am with Mayor Thaddeus Kirkland presiding. A prayer was said followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called and the following were present:

Elizabeth Williams
William Morgan
Portia West
Stefan Roots
Mayor Thaddeus Kirkland

Mayor Kirkland asked if anyone in the audience had any comments on Agenda items only.

The City Clerk proceeded with the reading of the Resolutions.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 603 of the Home Rule Charter authorizes the Mayor at the annual organization meeting of the Council to assign to each Council member a responsibility as department head of one or more departments of City government; and

WHEREAS, departments may be combined in an effort to provide better coordinated services to our constituency and such collaboration shall not change the Councilmember's role over that respective department.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby recognize the appointment by the Mayor of the duly elected and appointed Councilmembers designated as Directors of the various Departments as follows:

Thaddeus Kirkland	Director of the Department of Public Affairs
William Morgan	Director of the Department of Accounts & Finance
Portia L. West	Director of the Department of Public Works
Elizabeth Williams	Director of the Department of Public Property and Recreation
Stefan Roots	Director of the Department of Public Safety

On motion of Councilor West seconded by Councilor Morgan, the above Resolution was adopted. The following vote was taken: Yeas: Williams, Morgan, West, Roots, Mayor Kirkland. Nays: 0.

RESOLUTION

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby reappoint William Morgan, Director of the Department of Accounts and Finance, as Deputy Mayor for the City of Chester to serve as presiding officer of Council during any temporary absence of the Mayor, serve as the City's representative at ceremonial occasions during any temporary absence of the Mayor, at such times as the Mayor may request and sign any acts of the majority of the City Council when the Mayor is unavailable.

On motion of Councilor West, seconded by Councilor Morgan, the above Resolution was adopted. The following vote was taken: Yeas: Williams, Morgan, West, Roots, Mayor Kirkland. Nays: 0.

RESOLUTION

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby reappoint Candice Newsome, as City Clerk, Department of Accounts and Finance, at the salary range as provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

FURTHER, that Joan Neal shall be and she is hereby reappointed as Acting City Clerk in the absence or the inability of Candice Newsome, City Clerk, to act in such capacity.

On motion of Councilor West, seconded by Councilor Morgan, the above Resolution was adopted. The following vote was taken: Yeas: Williams, Morgan, West, Roots, Mayor Kirkland. Nays: 0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

There being no other business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08am.

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice Newsome, City Clerk