

City of CHARLOTTE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Armitage and City Council Members

FROM: City Manager Gregg Guetschow

SUBJECT: Appointment of Interim City Clerk-Treasurer

DATE: September 11, 2020

City Council has previously authorized entering into a lease agreement with GovTemps for interim city clerk-treasurer services. I have completed interviews of two candidates arranged through GovTemps and have selected the candidate that I believe is the best match for the position. You will find the resume for Darwin McClary elsewhere in the agenda packet.

The candidate whom I did not select possessed an excellent education and work background that provided her a range of skills that would be useful in a modern office setting. She also resides locally. She did not have any prior local government experience, however, nor had she worked in a management capacity. Although I believe she might be well suited to another position in the City, Mr. McClary's background would enable him to more quickly take charge of the full range of responsibilities associated with the position.

As his resume indicates, the majority of Mr. McClary's background is in city manager positions. His time in Eastpoint also included serving as city clerk. As you know, election responsibilities will continue to be performed by Ginger Terpstra. Mr.McClary's is familiar with the remainder of operations of the clerk's office and city government generally. At this point in his career he is anxious to serve in a department head capacity. His willingness to enter into this position provides a good opportunity, in my opinion, to compensate for the loss of institutional knowledge that Ginger and my departures from the organization represent.

Your agenda includes a resolution confirming my appointment of Mr. McClary as interim city clerk-treasurer.