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Metropolitan Council meeting date: Sept. 12, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	September 12, 2007
Subject:	Livable Communities Advisory Committee Appointment
District(s), Member(s):	
Policy/Legal Reference:	Bylaws of the Livable Communities Advisory Committee
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Peter Bell, Metropolitan Council Chair (651.602.1453)
Division/Department:	Chair's Office

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council approve Chair Bell’s recommendation to appoint James Barton to the Livable Communities Advisory Committee (LCAC), effective immediately.

Issue(s)

- A vacancy has recently occurred on the LCAC. LCAC bylaws state that the Council shall, as soon as possible, appoint a new member to fill the vacated committee position.

Overview

The person appointed to fill a committee vacancy, according to LCAC bylaws, shall serve the unexpired term of the vacated position to which the person is appointed. Mr. Barton would serve for nearly two additional years until July 1, 2009.

The vacant position is in the expertise category dealing with the relationship of transportation and development. Mr. Barton currently is a private consultant. Previously he developed criteria for and participated in selection of projects for federal transportation funding for a number of years as a former Metropolitan Council transportation staff planner, and prior to that served as manager of the Council’s local planning assistance unit. He also has previous experience with community development issues in the private sector.