

Other Business

Metropolitan Council Meeting date: February 8, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	January 31, 2012
Subject:	Appointment to the Council's Audit Committee
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Bylaws of the Audit Committee
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Katie Shea (651.602.1450) / Susan Haigh (651.602.1453)
Division/Department:	Program Evaluation and Audit

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of Charles Elliott, effective immediately, as a member to the Audit Committee for an unspecified term.

Background

Bylaws of the Audit Committee (passed by Council, September 10, 2003, 2003-233) call for 6 voting members. Three shall be Council members and three shall be external members with expertise in such areas as finance, accounting, auditing, information systems, management, operations or program performance.

The bylaws also provide that, when a vacancy occurs, the Audit Committee members shall be appointed by the Council Chair and approved by the full Council.

Charles Elliot is currently the Director of Inspections and Regulatory Compliance for the City of Minneapolis. He was previously the City's Controller. He also has extensive experience in the private sector as an accountant. His perspective as a City Official and a compliance officer, as well as his background in accounting, makes him an excellent choice to fill the current Audit Committee vacancy for an external member.

The Audit Committee is made up of three Council members and three external members with expertise in finance and auditing. The current Council members on the Audit Committee are: Gary VanEyll (chair), Steven Chávez, and Edward Reynoso. The current external members are: Chuck Denninger, Internal Auditor for Anoka County, and Gene VanOverbekke, Director of Administrative Services for the City of Eagan.

Rationale

Audit Committee Chair Gary Van Eyll has reviewed Charles Elliott's resume and recommends his appointment. Metropolitan Council Chair Susan Haigh appoints Mr. Elliott to Audit Committee and requests Council concurrence.