



## **STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE:** Regular Meeting of December 9, 2025

**TO:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**VIA:** Dante Hall, City Manager

**SUBMITTED BY:** Eibleis Melendez, City Clerk

**SUBJECT:** Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

City Council to Nominate and Appoint a Mayor and Vice-Mayor.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Section 4.8 of the Council Rules of Procedure provides for the procedure of selecting the Mayor and Vice-Mayor.

4.8 City Council Leadership and Expectations: It is the policy and practice of the City Council that each year the City Council shall select a Mayor and Vice Mayor. For every election cycle, the City Council Members receiving the highest and the second highest number of votes will be identified. These City Council Members shall be selected by the City Council to rotate into the position of Mayor during the third and fourth year of their terms respectively. The Council Member receiving the highest number of votes shall serve as Mayor during the third year of his/her term and the Council Member receiving the second highest number of votes shall serve in the fourth year of his/her term. The herein selection process shall be followed in all instances unless a Council Member is denied the honor of serving as Mayor or Vice Mayor pursuant to subsection 4.8.4.

In the 2022 election, Dion Bailey received the most votes (5,784), followed by Chris Kelley with 4,246 votes. According to the City Council's Rules of Procedure, Dion Bailey served as Mayor in 2025, while Chris Kelley was Vice Mayor. As per Council protocol, the Vice Mayor is usually next in line to become Mayor.

In the 2024 election, Alex Walker-Griffin received the highest number of votes (7,286), closely followed by Dilli Bhattarai with 7,038 votes. According to the Council's rules, Alex Walker-Griffin is next in line to serve as Vice Mayor.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Council Rules of Procedure