

AGENDA REPORT

DATE: November 6, 2002

TITLE: Joint Resolution No. 9264, Joint Resolution Amending Joint Resolution 9220, Composition of the Native American Local Government Commission

INITIATED BY: Native American Local Government Commission

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt Joint Resolution No. 9264, Amending Joint Resolution No. 9220.

PRESENTED BY: Peggy Bourne, City Clerk/Records Manager

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt Joint Resolution No. 9264, amending Joint Resolution No. 9220 which created the Native American Local Government Commission. The amended Joint Resolution No. 9264, will reflect a modification to the composition of the Native American Local Government Commission. This amendment will modify the existing representation of standing members through representation by the highest ranking Native American officer in the Great Falls Public Education system.

MOTION:

I move the City Commission adopt Resolution 9264.

SYNOPSIS:

In March 2002, The City and County Commissions adopted a Joint Resolution providing for the establishment of a Native American Local Government Commission. The purpose of the Commission is to serve as a local point of contact for all local City and County government departments representing the Native American community.

The Commission was formally established and is currently comprised of three standing members (Indian Heritage Association Director, Indian Family Clinic Director, Indian Education Program Director), four rotating members with staggered terms (1 to 4 years) as recommended by the standing members (who review applications), two County appointed members and two City appointed members.

The Native American Local Government requested a modification to amend the composition of the standing members. The jointly amended resolution will modify the composition to establish standing members to be represented by the highest ranking Native American officer in the Great Falls Public Education system along with existing standing member representation by the Indian Heritage Association Director and the Indian Family Clinic Director.