

AGENDA REPORT

DATE: November 3, 2004

ITEM Joint Appointment, Great Falls Transit District Board

INITIATED BY Transit District

ACTION REQUESTED Jointly appoint one member

PRESENTED BY City Commission

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**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the City and County Commissions jointly appoint William Thomas to fill a vacancy on the Great Falls Transit District Board created when only one person filed for the two elected positions.

**MOTION:** I move the City Commission appoint William Thomas to fill a vacancy on the Great Falls Transit District Board created when only one person filed for the two elected positions. This term shall expire November 30, 2006.

**SYNOPSIS:** The City and County Commissions are required by ordinance to jointly fill vacancies of elected members on the Transit District Board that may be caused due to no one filing for the position. The appointment process involves a representative from the County Commission and one from the City Commission to review applications and to recommend one person to both Commissions for appointment. Commissioner Jovick-Kuntz served as the City Commission's representative to that subcommittee. County Commissioner Beltrone served as the County Commission's representative. After reviewing the two applications received, Commissioners Jovick-Kuntz and Beltrone recommended the appointment of William Thomas to the Transit Board. This term will be until the next election whereby Transit members are elected or November 30, 2006.

**BACKGROUND:**

Members include:

James Bellessa (City appointed)	11/30/06
Carl Donovan (County appointed)	11/30/04
Sally Macmillan (elected)	11/30/04
Margaret Fasbender (elected by appointment)	11/30/04
Paul Eastman (elected)	11/30/06

Applicants:  
Len Nopen  
William Thomas