



**Item:** Appointment to the Housing Authority Board

**From:** City Manager's Office

**Initiated By:** Great Falls Housing Authority

**Presented By:** City Commission

**Action Requested:** Appoint one member to the Great Falls Housing Authority Board.

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**Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as a tenant member to fill the remainder of a two-year term through June 30, 2010, to the Great Falls Housing Authority Board.”

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls the vote.

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**Staff Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Commission appoint one new tenant member to fill the remainder of a two-year term through June 30, 2010.

**Background:** Katherine Pickens was appointed to the Housing Authority Board on May 20, 2008. Ms. Pickens has moved from Great Falls and had to resign from Board. Therefore, it is necessary to appoint one tenant to fill the vacancy.

Purpose

The Great Falls Housing Authority Board consists of seven commissioners appointed by the City Commission. Two commissioners must be residents of the Housing Authority properties. The Board is an independent authority responsible for setting policy for the operation and management of public housing properties, HUD Section 8 program and other affordable housing programs. The Board also serves as the loan committee for the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program. The Board is also responsible for providing safe, decent, sanitary, and affordable housing for the community's low-income residents. Tenant terms are two years and regular members are five years.

Evaluation and Selection Process

Announcements regarding the opening were placed in the *Great Falls Tribune* and on the City's Website. Applications are submitted to the City Commission for their consideration in making appointments.

Continuing members of this board are:

Joseph Boyle  
Howard Corey  
Michael McCleary  
Timothy McKittrick  
Curtis Thompson  
Grace McLean (tenant)

Tenants interested in serving on this Board:

Marquita Ogawa  
Amanda Scott

**Concurrences:** Not applicable.

**Fiscal Impact:** Not applicable.

**Alternatives:** Continue advertising to seek further citizen input.

**Attachments/Exhibits:**

Board Applications