



Request for City Council Committee Action

Date May 14, 2008

To CM Scott Benson, Chair
Health, Energy and Environment Committee

Subject: Appointment(s) to Latino Advisory Committee

Recommendation: Approve the following joint Mayoral/Council appointments

Appointee Name and Category if any	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward	Number of years of term	Term Beginning /Ending	Replacing or fulfilling the term of another member: Name, Expiration Date
Denisse Velez Rivera	Joint	10	2	6/2/8 to 12/31/09	Luisa Cabello Hansel, Exp. Date 12/31/07 (forfeited membership)
Mario Vargas	Joint	9	2	6/2/8 to 12/31/09	Gloria Liliana Rivera-Quñones Exp. Date 12/31/07 (forfeited membership)
Vini Mosquera	Joint	11	2	6/2/8 to 12/31/08	Edna Herlitz Exp. Date 12/31/08 (Resigned)
Re-Appointments Name and Category if any	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward	Number of years of term	Term Beginning/Ending	Replacing or fulfilling the term of another member (if applicable): Name, Expiration Date
Mr. Aureliano Maria Desoto	Joint	10	2	01/01/08 to 12/31/09	N/A
Ms. Rosita Balch	Joint	13/9	2	01/01/08 to 12/31/09	N/A

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by Mr. Michael Jordan, Civil Rights Director

Presenters in Committee Mr. Michael Jordan, Civil Rights Director

Financial Impact: No financial impact. Action is within current department budget.

Background/Supporting Information

Recommended members' applications can be accessed on

M:\CityCommon\Appointment Boards – Commissions\Board files\Latino Advisory Committee\Scanned applications\

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Reappointment Recommendations

I, Michael Jordan, Director of the Civil Rights Department, recommend Mr. Aureliano DeSoto for reappointment to the Latino Advisory Committee to the City Council and Mayor

This does **not** require a public hearing.

Mr. DeSoto and Ms. Balch was originally appointed **May 26, 2006**

This is his **Second** term

I recommend reappointment for the following reasons (please select those that are appropriate and explain):

1. Contribution to the board

As Chair, Mr. DeSoto has provided the committee excellent leadership and guidance.

2. Specific expertise

Mr. DeSoto has brought his expertise in academia to help guide and keep the membership focused on specific tasks.

3. Necessary continuity because of membership turnover

Membership turnover has historically plagued this committee. This reappointment would assist in maintaining continuity as I strive to appoint new members.

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I, Michael Jordan, Director the Civil Rights Department, recommend Ms. Rosita Balch for reappointment to the Latino Advisory Committee to the City Council and Mayor

This does **not** require a public hearing.

Ms. Balch were originally appointed **May 26, 2006**

This is her **Second** term

I recommend reappointment for the following reasons (please select those that are appropriate and explain):

1. Contribution to the board

Ms. Balch's community organizing efforts and direct connection with the Latino community have proven to be excellent assets to the committee.

2. Necessary continuity because of membership turnover

Membership turnover has historically plagued this committee. This reappointment would assist in maintaining continuity as I strive to appoint new members.