## Councilperson Guridy

Pursuant to Rule VI, I submit this memo for distribution for the organizational meeting taking place on January 6, 2021. It is with much gratitude and humbleness that I ask for your support to be the next council president.

I am the longest serving person on council, serving 20 years. I have experience as president and as chairs and members of all Council committees. I will use this experience to work with each councilperson in a fair and consistent manner to achieve results and the goals of council.

As a council body, I have these specific goals in mind:

- To meet with other local government officials in the area, community organizations and business interests and explore ways we can work together and learn from each other.
- To work with our employees on creating an effective and efficient work force that achieves measurable results and a workforce that is inclusionary and reflects the diversity of our city.
- I plan to set up early meetings where council can set a tone by establishing and prioritizing goals we want to meet as a body and work on with our employees; and I suggest that each of the committees do likewise and work on the goals established by the committee.

I think it will be important for council to move forward as a body that operates out of consensus and not out of individual political aspirations or delivering to our politically energized constituencies to further our interests, we have had enough of that at the federal level, all of the our residents do not deserve that. I pledge to make this year a good year for council, the administration and our residents.

## **RULE VI**

## ELECTION AND REMOVAL OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

A. Election of the President and Vice President of Council

Council will elect a President and Vice President at its organizational meeting. The prospective nominees for President and Vice President must submit a memo to the Clerk's Office indicating the office they seek to secure no later than 4:00 PM on the Tuesday preceding the second regular Council Meeting in December. At this meeting, the Clerk shall in a random fashion, by lottery, determine the voting order of the prospective nominees for each position that will take place at Council's organizational meeting.

One week prior to the Council Meeting at which a vote is to be taken on the election of a President and Vice President, nominees who have previously declared their candidacy shall submit a memo to the City Clerk's office restating their intention of the office they plan to seek, their goals and vision for the ensuing year, past achievements and any other information they might find useful to secure their election. This memo will be public and be published as part of the agenda for the Council meeting at which the election takes place.

At the organizational meeting, the President (or Acting President) will call for a vote on the prospective candidates for each position in the order that has been randomly determined. The vote for the President shall be first, followed by the vote for Vice President. Nominations will be limited to those Councilpersons that have submitted a memo outlining their intentions and only for the office they so indicated. If there have been no candidates for Vice President, Council shall vote for Vice President on the basis of the requests to

be elected President, provided the potential candidate desires such office.

The first nominee to secure a majority of affirmative votes shall be elected. If no Councilperson that has submitted a memo to Council has secured the nomination for President or Vice President by a majority vote, a revote shall be taken and shall be in the same order unless a nominee removes their name for consideration.

If a Councilperson is not able to attend such meeting, they may participate in the election of the president by phone. (26643 10/21/92; 28613 8/5/09)