

ORDINANCE NO. 153, 2019
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL TO MAKE SHORT-TERM
APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS IN 2020

WHEREAS, the City has boards and commissions charged with advising the City Council, whose members are appointed by the City Council through an application and interview process; and;

WHEREAS, six of these boards are considered “quasi-judicial,” meaning they make official findings and determination on matters before them; and

WHEREAS, Article III of Chapter 2 of the City Code establishes each board or commission of the City and, for each individual board or commission, states the length of the board members’ terms, which in most cases is four years, and how many terms they may serve (typically two consecutive terms); and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2019, the City Council adopted a Council Priority to Reimagine Boards and Commissions, to explore improvements to the structure and management of the City boards and commissions (the “Reimagine Project”); and

WHEREAS, while the Reimagine Project is ongoing the City Clerk’s Office was instructed to pause reappointments and interviews for positions on all boards and commissions, except for quasi-judicial boards and boards and commissions at risk of falling below their quorum number; and

WHEREAS, to ensure boards and commissions can maintain quorums and effectively perform their duties in the face of unplanned absences, the Council would like the ability to temporarily fill vacant positions on boards and commission for short periods of time while the Reimagine Project continues in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would also like to be able to specify whether such an interim appointment will count towards term limits specified by the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that temporarily making short-term appointments to City boards and commissions will benefit the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That, notwithstanding any provision of the City Code to the contrary, the City Council, from January 17 to December 31, 2020, may:

(a) make appointments to City boards and commissions for terms shorter than required by the applicable provisions of Article III, Chapter 2 of the City Code; and

(b) specify for each such appointment whether such term will count towards any applicable term limit specified in Article III, Chapter 2 of the City Code.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 17th day of December, A.D. 2019, and to be presented for final passage on the 7th day of January, A.D. 2020.



Mayor

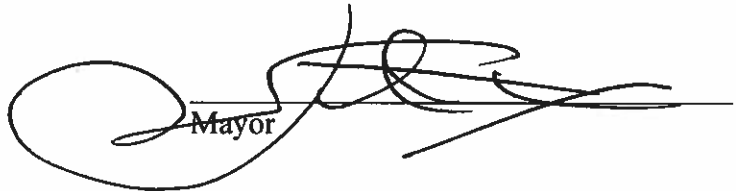
ATTEST:



City Clerk



Passed and adopted on final reading on the 7th day of January, A.D. 2020.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

