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Date: March 14, 2022

From: Becca Nash, Director

To: LCCMR Citizen Members

Subject: Citizen Chair Elections to be held March 22 & Proxy Voting Options

Summary

With the retirement of the previous citizen chair, LCCMR citizen members will have the opportunity on March 22, 2022, to elect a new citizen chair. If the current citizen vice chair position opens, citizens will need to vote to replace the vice chair position as well. If you cannot attend the meeting, you may name another LCCMR member to vote as your proxy. The elections and the process for naming a proxy are described below.

Role of the Chairs and Vice Chairs

Each group (House, Senate, and citizen) independently elects its own chair and vice chair. These three chairs and three vice chairs serve as the LCCMR Executive Committee. The Executive Committee approves the LCCMR administrative budget. The citizen, House, and Senate co-chairs approve meeting agendas and rotate chairing meetings.

Elections

The citizen members must select their own chair and vice chair. Nominations will be by written sign up by member or nomination by another member. The positions will be nominated and elected in the following order:

- Chair
- Vice Chair

While LCCMR Operating Procedures allow for elections to be by written ballot, this conflicts with statutory requirements for open meetings that are conducted remotely. LCCMR is subject to open meeting law as set out in Chapter 13D. Chapter 13D.021 states that meetings may be conducted remotely provided specific conditions are met, including that all votes are conducted by roll-call. Therefore, elections will be held by roll-call vote.

Proxy Options

The LCCMR has adopted a proxy policy that allows members to proxy their votes for elections. If you cannot attend the March 22 meeting and you wish to assign someone to vote in your place, please copy, paste, and complete the sample email below and email to Becca. Nash@lccmr.mn.gov by 10:00 pm Monday, March 21.

Please realize that you do not vote for a person by using this form. You designate one of your fellow LCCMR members to vote for you. The Director will open the proxy email at the meeting and announce the named individual, who then casts his/her own vote and the proxy vote for the election.

Proxy Email Template

Subject: 2022 LCCMR Citizen Chair Elections Proxy

In my absence, I grant _	(Proxy's Name)	the right to vote as my proxy for the LCCMR elections on Tuesday,
March 22, 2022.		

Signed,	
(Your Name)	