

AGENDA--CITY COUNCIL -- CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA  
Council Chambers – Municipal Building  
**7:00 pm Regular Session**  
**Thursday, August 16, 2018**

**7:00—Regular Session**

1. Continue the Council meeting from Tuesday, August 14, 2018 by hearing public input regarding candidates who have applied for appointment to fill a vacant City Council seat. (10 mins)
2. Resume the closed session meeting, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 2.2, Chapter 37—Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3711(A)—Closed Meetings, the following:
  - A. Appointments to boards and commissions, as authorized by Subsection 1.

AGENDA--CITY COUNCIL -- CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA  
Council Chambers – Municipal Building  
**6:00 pm Closed Session**  
**Monday, August 20, 2018**

1. Resume the closed session meeting, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 2.2, Chapter 37—Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3711(A)—Closed Meetings, the following:
  - A. Appointments to boards and commissions, as authorized by Subsection 1.

**Date:** August 16, 2018

**Item No:** 1.

**Department:** City Council

**Issue:** Continue the Council meeting from Tuesday, August 14, 2018 by hearing public input regarding candidates who have applied for appointment to fill a vacant City Council seat.

**Summary:** With the resignation of former Council member Sharon Brooks Hodge in July, 2018 due to business reasons, approximately 2 ½ years remains of the 4-year term that ends December 31, 2020. At Council's July 24, 2018 meeting, it was decided to fill the vacant Council seat by appointment as outlined in the City Charter. Applications from citizens interested in being considered for appointment were accepted online and through the City Manager's office up to and including August 14<sup>th</sup>. At the Council meeting on August 14<sup>th</sup>, a public hearing was conducted for the purpose of allowing citizens who had not yet filled out an application to declare their interest in being considered for the vacant Council seat. After the hearing, the following names were announced as candidates:

Charles Cousins III, 1203 Top Street  
James Ronald Ferrill, 917 Hunting Ridge Road  
Garland Hairston, 110 Pony Place  
Eric Hruza, 707 Mulberry Road  
James Hyler, 211 Oakdale Street  
Lawrence Dean Johnston, 1018 Mulberry Road  
Joseph Martin, 617 East Church Street  
James Nathanael Woods, 815 Clarke Road

The continued Council meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> will be to hear public input on the candidates, followed by closed session interviews with the first four candidates (in alphabetical order). The four remaining candidates will be interviewed in a Council closed session meeting on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6 pm.

**Attachments:** None

**Recommendations:** Conduct interviews as scheduled. If a successful candidate is agreed upon, announce the appointment after the conclusion of interviews on August 20<sup>th</sup>, followed by swearing in of the new Council member at Council's August 28, 2018 regular meeting.