

## **CITY OF SALEM**

555 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301

# Revisions to the Agenda City Council

Monday, November 28, 2016

6:30 PM

**Council Chambers** 

Meeting Location: Loucks Auditorium - Salem Public Library, 585 Liberty Street SE

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### **Staff Report**

File #: 16-403 Date: 11/28/2016

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**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**THROUGH:** Steve Powers, City Manager

**FROM:** Dan Atchison, City Attorney

#### **SUBJECT:**

Receiving Councilor Benjamin's letter of resignation, and declaring the council position for Ward 6 vacant.

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#### **ISSUE:**

Shall the City Council accept the resignation of Councilor Benjamin and declare the position for Ward 6 vacant?

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

See discussion below.

#### SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

On November 23, 2016, Councilor Daniel Benjamin submitted a letter tendering his resignation as Salem City Councilor for Ward 6 (Attachment 1). In order for the resignation to be effective, Council must accept the resignation, and declare the position for Ward 6 vacant.

#### **FACTS AND FINDINGS:**

A resignation from a City Councilor does not become effective until the resignation is accepted and the position is declared vacant. Section 19 of the Charter provides that the office of a member of council becomes vacant "upon declaration by the council of the vacancy in case of the incumbent's . . resignation from the office."

Dan Atchison, City Attorney

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Attachments:

1. Letter of Resignation.

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November 23, 2016

Mayor and City Council:

Effective immediately, I hereby tender my resignation as Salem City Councilor of Ward 6.

I wish the very best of success to all citizens of the City of Salem. Thank you for the opportunity to be your city councilor. I truly cherish the time that I spent and the people I have met serving the City.

Daniel Benjamin