



City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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ADMINISTRATION *Cathy Sorensen, City Clerk*

TWIN CITIES GATEWAY VISITORS BUREAU ADDITIONAL BOARD SEAT

Based on annual lodging tax receipts, the City of Blaine is entitled to an additional appointed Board seat for the Twin Cities Gateway Visitors Bureau. Per the bylaws, this second appointed seat is to be from the hotel/lodging sector and all lodging properties in Blaine were eligible. Staff reached out to all lodging properties regarding their interest and received responses; Forogh Amini - Best Western Plus and Barb Hartman - Fairfield by Marriott Inn and Suites. Interviews were conducted by Councilmember Jeppson, the city manager and city clerk who after review of both outstanding candidates, forwarded a recommendation to Blaine Council to appoint Mr. Amini to the seat.

In addition, staff is recommending formal appointment of City Manager Michelle Wolfe as Councilmember Jeppson's alternate to the Board.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Board of Directors.

A. The Board of Directors shall be proportionately represented, based on the percentage of lodging fee contributions contributed by the Member City during the preceding year. Each Member City shall have at least one Board Member. For each additional 10%, or portion thereof, above the initial 10% of the overall contribution will entitle the Member City to one additional representative. The first Board Member appointed by the Member City shall be an elected or appointed municipal representative of that Member City. The second Board Member selected by the Member City will be from that community's lodging industry. Any

additional representatives shall be selected at the Member City's discretion. The term of any Board Member appointed, or selected by a Member City shall immediately cease, without further action, upon the date of termination of membership of that Member City in the Corporation.

B. Member Cities added after the approval of these By-Laws will be allowed one (1) Board Member until the end of the first calendar year after being added and then the terms of Section 1. shall apply

By motion, approve appointment of Forogh Amini - Best Western Plus to Twin Cities Gateway Board and appoint City Manager Michelle Wolfe as alternate.