



Metropolitan Council

Office of Vice Mayor

TO: Members of the Metropolitan Council
Citizens of Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

FROM: Vice Mayor Jim Shulman

DATE: October 4, 2022

RE: **NOTICE OF BOARD VACANCY – COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT BOARD**

This memorandum constitutes a second formal notice to members of the Metropolitan Council and the public of one (1) vacancy on the Metropolitan Community Oversight Board (COB) to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Hamid Abdullah, for a term expiring January 31, 2024.

Procedures for filling this vacancy is outlined below. Please note that nominators and nominees must adhere to these deadlines and procedures to maintain eligibility for this election.

Members of the Community Oversight Board

The Community Oversight Board consists of eleven (11) members selected from three (3) distinct categories set forth in the Charter. All members must be approved by majority vote of the Council.

The make-up of the Board as set forth by Charter is as follows:

- Seven (7) of the Board members shall be persons who are nominated by:
 - community organizations; or
 - private petition signed by fifty (50) Davidson County residents.
- Two (2) of the members shall be persons nominated by Council Representatives, and
- Two (2) of the members shall be persons nominated by the Mayor.

Upcoming Vacancies on the Community Oversight Board

There is one vacancy to be filled at this time. The vacancy is to be filled by the category of persons nominated either by (a) a community organization or (b) a private petition signed by 50 residents of Davidson County. ([Metro Charter § 11.1301](#)). Board members must be registered voters of Davidson County as required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-8-312.

This notice, as well as deadlines and forms related to this announcement, will be available on the Community Oversight Board webpage: <https://www.nashville.gov/Government/Boards-and-Committees/Committee-Information/ID/132/Community-Oversight-Board.aspx>

October 18, 2022 – Deadline for Nominations

All nominations must be filed using the Community Oversight Board Nomination Form. This Form must be completed by any member of a community organization or member of the community wishing to submit a petition for his or her own nomination or the nomination of someone else.

The Nomination Form is available online at <https://www.nashville.gov/sites/default/files/2022-01/COB-Nomination-Form.pdf?ct=1641300050>.

The Nomination Form should be signed by the nominator (e-signature is acceptable), and must be filed by email or in person at the Office of the Metropolitan Clerk by **4:30 p.m.** on October 18, 2022:

Metropolitan Clerk's Office
1 Public Square, Suite 205
Nashville, TN 37201
metro.clerk@nashville.gov

The Petition Form is also posted on the [Community Oversight Board webpage](#). Nominations by Petition Form must be signed by 50 Davidson County residents, and the Petition Form must be included as an attachment and filed at the same time as the corresponding Nomination Form.

October 25, 2022 – Deadline for Nominee Information

All nominees must file a Community Oversight Board Information Sheet by **12:00 p.m.** on October 25, 2022 (by email or in person at the contact information above for the Metro Clerk's Office). Any nominee who fails to file the Information Sheet by this deadline will be deemed to have withdrawn his or her nomination.

The Community Oversight Board Information Sheet is available online at <https://www.nashville.gov/sites/default/files/2022-01/COB-Nominee-Questionnaire.pdf?ct=1641300013>.

November 1, 2022* – Interview before Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee

All nominees must attend an interview before the Council's Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, exact time to be announced.

November 1, 2022* – Elections by the Metropolitan Council

The Metropolitan Council shall elect and confirm one Board member by a majority vote at the regular Council meeting of November 1, 2022.

*Depending upon the number of nominations received, this meeting may be re-scheduled to another date.

Please direct questions about these forms and deadlines to the Metropolitan Council Office at (615) 862-6780 or the Metropolitan Clerk's Office at (615) 862-6770.

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