



Request for Council Action

Originator Public Health	Item Appointment to the Statewide Community Health Services Advisory Committee (SCHSAC)
Agenda Section Organizational Business	Date 1/5/2015

Description

Since 1976, the City Council has served as the Community Health Board for the City as defined under Minn. Stat. §145A. In Minnesota, public health responsibilities are shared between state and local governments. To function effectively, strong communication and coordination is needed between the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and local governments, as well as with federal government entities such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

SCHSAC has been a unique aspect of Minnesota's state and local public health partnership since 1976. It is a statutorily defined advisory group to the Commissioner of Health comprised of one representative from each of Minnesota's 52 community health boards, including a Councilmember serving as Bloomington's representation and Public Health Administrator serving as alternate. SCHSAC meets four times per year.

Councilmember Abrams was appointed the Council representative to the SCHSAC in 2014; former Public Health Administrator Karen Zeleznak was appointed as the alternate.

Requested Action

Council is requested to appoint a member and to appoint Public Health Administrator Bonnie Paulsen as the alternate to SCHSAC, with a term to expire on December 31, 2015.

Attachments: