

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2679**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF VETERANS COMMUNITY COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the City Council to create a commission to assist local veterans with reintegration into the North Las Vegas community and accessing all available and applicable resources and services,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council originally created such a commission by Resolution No. 2535 with the North Las Vegas Veterans Community Commission (“VCC”) having seven members, and revised it with Resolution No. 2551 to expand membership to nine members; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 16, 2017 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2587 revising the meeting schedule of the VCC; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 18, 2018 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2598 to add provisions for term limits, limitations on citizen services, removal from office, and removal of Section 1-B; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 5, 2018 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2616 to reduce the membership from nine members to seven members; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 21, 2019 the City Council repealed Resolution No. 2616 to add provisions for adjusting term lengths for the Veterans Community Commission

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the North Las Vegas City Council that the bylaws and rules regarding membership and terms for the Veterans Community Commission are restated as follows:

#### **ARTICLE I, PURPOSE and NAME**

**SECTION 1:** The Commission shall be known as The North Las Vegas Veterans Community Commission.

**SECTION 2:** The Commission acts as a formal advisory board to the Mayor and City Council on matters relating to veterans, support veteran-oriented special events and collaborative events that meet the needs of veterans, and serve as an advocacy body on behalf of veterans in the community.

**SECTION 3:** The Commission shall meet and work to exchange information to enable meaningful and beneficial discussions and outcomes including, but not limited to the following areas:

- a. Identify local resources, services, benefits, and opportunities for veterans, as well as gaps and overlays in the same, and make recommendations for improvements in North Las Vegas.
- b. Advocate for veterans services to ensure adequate support is received from public officials, citizens, and private entities.
- c. Serve as a local public body to hear veterans concerns.
- d. Advise public service agencies and providers on veteran issues and services as appropriate.
- e. Support the Armed Forces and Military Veterans Appreciation Day and other activities to connect our community to Nellis Air Force Base.
- f. Identify opportunities and request resources from community, local, state, and federal partners that encourages collaboration of services for veterans, service members and their families.
- g. Host local events that showcase opportunities for veterans, service members, and their families at the state and local level.

## **ARTICLE II, MEMBERSHIP and ORGANIZATION**

**SECTION 1:** The Commission shall have five (5) members.

### **SECTION 2: Commission Organization**

The Commission shall consist of five individuals appointed by the City of North Las Vegas City Council, which to the extent possible, will have experience relative to specific resource areas:

- i. Wellness;
- ii. Education;
- iii. Employment Outcomes;
- iv. Relocation (Housing)
- v. Resources and Benefits

**SECTION 3:** The North Las Vegas City Council shall appoint the members who will serve at the discretion of the Mayor and City Council.

**SECTION 4:** The term of office will be two years upon appointment by the City Council.

- a. The appointment of the Commission members shall be as determined at any time by the North Las Vegas City Council. The Chairman and Vice Chairman will serve as such for one year and the Commission will vote annually to fill those offices.
- b. A Member who is absent from as many as one-half of all regular Commission meetings in a fiscal year shall be considered thereby to have created a vacancy on the Commission. Members appointed by the City Council to fill vacancies of unexpired terms shall hold membership until the expiration of the term of the member whose vacancy they fill.
- c. A resignation must be submitted in writing, signed and submitted to the Chairman of the Commission. In the event of a permanent vacancy by the Chairman, the Vice Chairman will act as Chairman until such time as the board votes for a new Chairman and Vice Chairman.

## **ARTICLE III, MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1:** The Commission will meet a minimum of four (4) times annually and provide a report to the North Las Vegas City Council at a regularly scheduled council meeting a minimum of twice per year on the activities and progress of the VCC.

**SECTION 2:** The Commission shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman to preside at all meetings, and present progress reports and recommendations to the City Council as needed. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman, with ten days notice to the membership. The Vice Chairman will act for the Chairman in the case of absence or resignation.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.**

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Mayor John J. Lee

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ATTEST:

Jackie Rodgers, Acting City Clerk