



Memorandum

TO: Common Council
FROM: Mayor Merkes 
SUBJECT: 2010 Utility Commission Appointment
DATE: 28 April 2011

There has been discussion for some time regarding the desirability of having additional elected officials as members of the Utility Commission. Last fall Ald. Roush was appointed to the Utilities Commission placing two elected officials on the commission. At that time the charter ordinance was not changed to require that an alderman was on the commission.

at its first meeting in the month of September in each year shall select a member of the Water and Light Commission who shall hold said office for a term of five (5) years and until his successor is elected and qualified, commencing on the first day of October following his election

Utility Commission members are appointed to five year terms. In November, Joanne Roush was appointed for the term of Nov 2010 - Nov 2015 as a citizen who also happened to be an alderman as well at that time. The ordinance governing the commission states that no more than two members may be elected officials.

It is the intent of this Section to keep the voting members of the Commission always at five (5), of which no more than two (2) may be elected officials of the City government

The Common Council will have the opportunity to appoint or reappoint one of five members of the Utility Commission in September of 2011.