



# FAIRFAX TOWN COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE** December 6, 2023  
**PREPARED FOR** Mayor and Town Council  
**PREPARED BY** Michele Gardner, Town Clerk  
**SUBJECT** Reorganization of the Town Council: Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor.

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Select one councilmember to serve as Mayor and one to serve as Vice Mayor for the next 12 months.

## **DISCUSSION**

Each year at the first Town Council meeting in December, the Fairfax Town Council rotates the positions of Mayor and Vice Mayor, selecting from among its members the new Mayor and Vice Mayor for the next 12 months. The objective is to provide an opportunity for all councilmembers to serve as Mayor and/or Vice Mayor during their term of office.

The Council has complete discretion in selecting which of its members will fill these two positions. Typically, for the Mayor position, the current Vice Mayor is selected. The current Vice Mayor of Fairfax is Vice Mayor Coler.

The Vice Mayor position is generally filled by the councilmember for whom the greatest amount of time has passed since she or he last served as Mayor, or by the newest Councilmember who has served for at least one year. Councilmember Ackerman is the councilmember for whom the greatest amount of time has passed since he last served Mayor of Fairfax (in 2021). Councilmember Blash is the newest councilmember and has served one year.

The new Mayor and Vice Mayor are seated immediately following their selection.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None