

**Subject:** Resolution #748 – Appointing Karen Murphy as Planning Commissioner for Position #5 For a partial 6-year term which ends June 30, 2026.

**Dept. Origin:** Mayor’s Office/City Planner

**Prepared by:** Jennifer Robertson  
 City Attorney’s Office

**For Agenda of:** June 7, 2022

**Exhibits:** Resolution #748

**Proposed Council Action:**

Adopt Resolution #748.

	Initial & Date
<b>Concurred by Mayor:</b>	_____
<b>Approved/form by City Atty:</b>	<u>JSR/6-3-22</u>
<b>Approved by _____ Director:</b>	_____
<b>Approved by Department Head:</b>	_____

**INFORMATION / BACKGROUND**

Position #5 on the Ruston Planning Commission was previously held by Kathy Brown. Commissioner Brown’s expired on June 30, 2020 but the seat was left vacant due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the lack of Planning Commission meetings during that time. The Mayor recommends appointing Karen Murphy to this seat to complete the partial 6-year term which will expire on June 30, 2026.

In accordance with RMC 1.07.020, the process for appointing Planning Commissioners is an appointment by the Mayor and a confirmation by the Council. The attached Resolution #748 appoints Karen Murphy to Position #5 for a partial 6-year term ending June 30, 2026. If Council agrees with the Mayor’s appointment, then adoption of the Resolution is recommended.

**FISCAL CONSIDERATION**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION / MOTION**

**MOTION:** I move to adopt Resolution #748 to appoint Karen Murphy to the Ruston Planning Commission to Position No. 5 for a partial term which ends on June 30, 2026.

**RESOLUTION NO. 748**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RUSTON,  
WASHINGTON, APPOINTING KAREN MURPHY TO  
THE RUSTON PLANNING COMMISSION TO  
POSITION NO. 5 FOR A PARTIAL 6-YEAR TERM  
ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2026.**

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WHEREAS, on August 5, 2014, the City Council confirmed the Mayor's re-appointment of Kathy Brown for Planning Commission Position No. 5 via adoption of Resolution No. 586; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Brown's appointment expired on June 30, 2020 and the seat remained unfilled due to the COVID-19 pandemic which resulted in the Planning Commission not meeting; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RMC 1.07.020 the Mayor of Ruston recommends the appointment of Karen Murphy to fill Position No. 5 for the remaining portion of the 6-year term which will expire on June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RMC 1.07.020, the City Council accepts and confirms the Mayor's appointment of Karen Murphy to open Position No. 5 of the Ruston Planning Commission; **NOW, THEREFORE**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSTON HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Appointment for Position No. 5.** Karen Murphy is hereby appointed to the Ruston Planning Commission to serve as a Planning Commissioner to Position No. 5 which expires on June 30, 2026.

RESOLVED this 7th day of June, 2022.

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Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Judy Grams, City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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