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1 The Commission shall consist of fifteen voting members who are
2 representative of diverse communities and geographic regions of
3 Albuquerque. The Commission shall not include any elected City officials.
4 Commission members shall be appointed as follows:

5 A. Six (6) members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and
6 consent of the City Council as follows:

7 1. Five (5) members representing local or statewide Domestic
8 Violence and/or Sexual Assault prevention organizations, including at least
9 two that provide services in multiple languages, appointed by the Mayor with
10 the advice and consent of the City Council; and

11 2. One (1) member who has lived experience shall represent the
12 general public, appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City
13 Council.

14 B. Nine (9) members designated by agencies and relevant branches of
15 government as follows:

16 1. One (1) member shall represent the Children, Youth & Families
17 Department of the State of New Mexico (CYFD), appointed by the Governors
18 Cabinet Secretary of CYFD;

19 2. One (1) member shall represent the Bernalillo County
20 government and be appointed by the Bernalillo County Commission or
21 County Manager;

22 3. One (1) member shall represent the judiciary and be appointed
23 by the Chief Justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court;

24 4. One (1) member shall represent each of these four (4) City of
25 Albuquerque Departments and Offices and be appointed by the Mayor:
26 Albuquerque Community Safety Department (ACS), Family and Community
27 Services (FCS), Office of Policy (OP), and Office of Equity and Inclusion (OEI);
28 and

29 5. Two (2) members shall represent the Albuquerque Police
30 Department (APD):

31 a. The APD Superintendent of Reform shall serve ex
32 officio; and

1 b. A representative of APD's Special Victims Section shall
2 be appointed by the Chief of Police;

3 C. The Mayor shall appoint the first Chairperson and Vice Chairperson
4 for a two-year term. Subsequently, commissioners shall elect their Chair and
5 Vice Chair annually in October.

6 D. Commissioners shall serve three-year terms and Commissioners
7 shall be limited to two consecutive terms. The six (6) commission members
8 appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of City Council shall
9 serve staggered terms. The Chair and Vice Chair shall serve a two year initial
10 term, two appointees will serve one year initial terms, and two appointees will
11 serve three year initial terms. The initial terms of commissioners representing
12 City departments shall be two year. The terms of the other three
13 commissioners shall expire after three years of service, on December 31, 2025.

14 E. A member with three unexcused absences in a calendar year shall be
15 excused from further service by the Commission. Vacancies shall be filled for
16 an unexpired term by the original appointing authority.

17 **Section 2-6-18-3 MEETINGS.**

18 A. The Commission shall meet quarterly, unless otherwise determined
19 by the Chairperson or requested by six (6) or more members.

20 B. Decisions of the Commission shall be made by a majority vote of
21 those present.

22 C. Quorum shall consist of six (6) members, with at least one (1) being a
23 City staff representative.

24 **Section 2-6-18-4 DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.**

25 The Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault shall:

26 A. Facilitate an effective community-wide system of prevention and
27 intervention that is responsive to the needs of domestic violence and sexual
28 assault survivors;

29 B. Advise the Mayor and the City Council concerning community
30 domestic violence and sexual assault issues, including the quality of
31 effectiveness of domestic violence and sexual assault services in
32 Albuquerque;

1 C. Act as a forum for communication, education and dialogue with
2 Albuquerque residents and persons involved with domestic violence and
3 sexual assault issues;

4 D. Identify gaps in prevention and intervention services and increase
5 coordination among public and private programs and report these annually to
6 the City Council;

7 E. Assess and assure that the necessary services, policies, and
8 programs are funded and provided to those in need;

9 F. Promote a clear understanding of domestic violence and sexual
10 assault, current laws, and resources available in the community;

11 G. Develop a plan that ensures laws on domestic violence are properly
12 implemented and provide training to law enforcement and the judiciary;

13 H. Support the execution of the recommendations of the Mayor's
14 Domestic Violence Task Force made in February 2021;

15 I. Render an annual report to the Mayor and the City Council of the
16 Commission's work during the preceding year, including the prior year's
17 activities, voting actions, advisory recommendations, how often the
18 commission met, and its current members; and

19 J. Evaluate the efficiency, participation, and structure of the
20 commission every three (3) years."

21 SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,
22 clause, word or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or
23 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not
24 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council
25 hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section,
26 paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any
27 provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

28 SECTION 3. COMPILATION. This ordinance shall be incorporated in and
29 made part of the Revised Ordinances of Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1994.

30 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five days
31 after publication by title.

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