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## **News Release**

## Applications still being accepted for City Commission vacancy

Application forms accepted until noon June 3 from any interested in position

**ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (June 1, 2016)** — Applications for a City Commission of Arkansas City vacancy continue to be accepted until noon June 3, when the four remaining commissioners will have a special meeting in the commission room at City Hall, 118 W. Central Ave., to consider the applicants.

Depending on how that discussion goes, the commissioners may choose to appoint someone that day, or they may decide to wait until their regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. June 7 at the same location.

The vacancy was created by former mayor Chad Giles' resignation in an email last week.

State law and municipal code direct the remaining commissioners to appoint a replacement within 20 days of being notified of the vacancy, or else the decision goes to the voters in a special election.

A majority must agree on the choice, but there are no other statutory requirements regarding the selection.

Applicants interested in being appointed to the vacant position may submit a letter of interest to the City Commission through either the City Clerk's Office or the Utility Billing Office at City Hall.

The letter should highlight the candidate's previous civic involvement, any professional associations or honors, and their reason for interest in the position.

Alternatively, candidates may fill out a volunteer form that can be found on the City's website at <u>www.arkansascityks.gov/Government/Boards/Volunteer-Form.pdf</u>. Applicants should write in "City Commission" as the board to which they are seeking appointment.

Forms can be dropped off in person at City Hall, emailed to <u>lshook@arkansascityks.gov</u> or mailed to: City Clerk, City Hall, 118 W. Central Ave., Arkansas City, KS 67005.

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