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MEMORANDUM

To: Dave Ramsay, City Manager
From: Robin S. Jenkinson, City Attorney
Date: November 21, 2005
Subject: Appointments to Salary Commission

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council consider and, if in agreement, approve by motion the appointment of the three individuals named by the Mayor as the members of the Kirkland Salary Commission.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Salary Commission will annually review and periodically adjust the salaries for the Mayor and City Council.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

At the City Council meeting of November 15, 2005, the City Council passed Ordinance 4022 establishing a salary commission. Under the state enabling legislation, RCW 35.21.015, and the ordinance passed by the Council, the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, appoints the commission members. The commission members may not be city officials, city employees, or their immediate family members. The commission members may not be appointed to more than two terms.

RCW 35.21.015 does not dictate the number of commission members or length of terms. With the passage of Ordinance 4022, the Council established a three member commission for three year terms, with the initial terms staggered.

Please let me know if you have any questions.