

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
TULSA, OKLAHOMA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022 - 02**

WHEREAS, the executive and administrative powers of the City of Tulsa, as well as any executive and administrative powers which may be conferred by the Constitution or laws of Oklahoma, are exercised by and vested in the Mayor pursuant to the Amended Charter of the City of Tulsa; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 4 of the Amended Charter of the City of Tulsa creates the office of City Attorney who “shall be the chief legal advisor and attorney for the city and all offices, divisions, departments boards, authorities, commissions, and agencies of the city,” and further sets forth the duties and responsibilities of the City Attorney as chief legal officer of the city; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney pursuant to Article X, Section 4.1 of the Amended Charter of the City of Tulsa is appointed to the classified service by the Mayor subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the entire membership of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, as of February 1, 2022, there will exist a vacancy in the office of City Attorney that, although the search for qualified candidates to fill such vacancy is proceeding, the classified service position cannot be filled until the proper procedures pursuant to the Personnel Policies of the City and the City Charter are completed; and

WHEREAS, currently pending legal matters and those arising in the interim during the City Attorney selection, appointment and confirmation process must be properly addressed and handled by the City’s Legal Department, including all civil and criminal matters,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma, it is ordered that current Deputy City Attorney, Jean Ann Hudson, also a classified service employee, is hereby empowered and authorized in the interim to exercise the Charter authority, duties, and responsibilities of the office of City Attorney and to act on behalf of the City in providing, supervising and managing all legal services during the appointment and confirmation process for the next City Attorney.

This Executive Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2022 and will expire upon the swearing in of the duly appointed and confirmed City Attorney.



G. T. Bynum, Mayor

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

  
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David E. O'Meilia, City Attorney

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

