

## **Board Appointments – Human Rights Commission - Walter Jones**

### **INTRODUCTION:**

Mayor Anderson is recommending is recommending Walter Jones, a resident of District 3 who will serve a term through December 28, 2009. Mr. Jones will be replacing Jim Teall who has resigned.

### **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

**Walter Jones** is a Librarian, Assistant Head of Special Collection Department, University of Utah's J. Willard Marriott Library. He is currently on the University of Utah's Diversity Committee and feels an obligation to work toward creating an open, equal and fair community for everyone. Mr. Jones has served on various boards and committees at the University of Utah and has served for three years on the University Academics Senate; he is moderately active in local politics.

### **RESPONSE DEADLINE:**

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Vicki know by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2007.

### **CURRENT COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD:**

According to City ordinance, the Human Rights Commission shall consist of nine members, one representative from each Council District and two from the community who will represent the diversity of the city. All members must be Salt Lake City residents and at least 18 years of age; each will serve a four-year term. Adrian Comollo, District 3; Raymond Gunn, District 6; Orin Howell, District 1; and Patrick Leary, District 5; Siliveinusi Niu, District 2.

### **BOARD STRUCTURE:**

According to City ordinance, the Human Rights Commission makes recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding educational resources on issues of discrimination and equal treatment. Commissioners will review complaints of discrimination involving city departments or services to identify possible sources. Reviews legislation, policies or other action by the city designed to further eliminate prejudice and discrimination. Reviews pending legislation, policy changes or other city action that may impact human rights. Works in partnership to foster positive inter-group relations through educational programs.