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Vice Mayor Ken Elston Resigns

City of Manassas, VA . . . At the May 20, 2019 meeting of the City of Manassas City Council, Vice Mayor Ken Elston notified the public of his official resignation from City Council effective at the end of July 2019. Elston has been offered the position of Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences and Director of Performing Arts at High Point University in North Carolina. Elston has served on Manassas City Council since being elected in 2014.

With Mr. Elston's resignation, City Council may appoint an interim council member until such time as a special election can be held. It will be up to the City Council to determine the process for this appointment. According to $\S24.2-228$ of the Virginia code, the person appointed by City Council to fill the interim term shall only hold office "until qualified voters fill the vacancy by special election."

Once a vacancy occurs, City Council petitions the Circuit Court for a writ of election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term. A special election can be held during a general election or at a date that Council requests from the Court.