RESOLUTION 16-137

WHEREAS, the City has established a Code Enforcement Hearing Officer System to enforce City Ordinances, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager is authorized to appoint a City resident to serve as a City Hearing Officer, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has designated such a resident, and such appointment must be ratified by the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida that Russ Ramey be appointed to fill the position of Hearing Officer, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 25, City Code of Ordinances.

THIS RESOLUTION shall become effective immediately upon passage.

DATED this 21st day of September, 2016

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH,
FLORIDA

BY: Mike Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Fowler, City Clerk
CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. DEPARTMENT MAKING REQUEST/NAME:
ADMINISTRATION/MARIO GISBERT

2. MEETING DATE:
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

3. Requested Motion/Action:
RATIFY APPOINTMENT OF HEARING OFFICER

4. AGENDA
PRESENTATION
PUBLIC HEARING
CONSENT ✓
REGULAR

5. IS THIS ITEM BUDGETED (IF APPLICABLE)?
   Yes ☐ No ☑ N/A ✓

BUDGET AMENDMENT OR N/A

   DETAILED BUDGET AMENDMENT ATTACHED Yes ☐ No ☑ N/A ✓

6. BACKGROUND: (WHY IS THE ACTION NECESSARY, WHAT GOAL WILL BE ACHIEVED)
The City has established a Code Enforcement Hearing Officer System to hear appeals of citations issued for violations of City Ordinances. Brian Hess serves as the City's current and sole Hearing Officer, and has a conflict of interest in an upcoming case, thus requiring the City to appoint another Hearing Officer. The Code does not limit the number of Hearing Officers that may be appointed, but does require that they be City residents who possess outstanding reputations for civic pride, interest, integrity, responsibility and business or professional ability.

The Code provides for appointment of Hearing Officers by the City Manager, and the ratification of such appointments by the City Council. Appointments are for 1 year terms, which automatically renew unless the City elects not to renew an appointment. Hearing Officers serve without compensation.

The City Manager has appointed Russ Ramey who is willing to accept the appointment upon ratification by the Council.