



## Memorandum

TO: Boards of County Commissioners

CC: County Managers & Administrators

FROM: Gini Pingnot, CCI

DATE: Thursday, December 15, 2022

SUBJECT: **Nomination & Election Process – Steering Committee Leadership & Public Lands Travel Team**

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In accordance with the recently adopted bylaws, Steering Committee leadership elections will occur during each committee meeting on January 26 or 27.

As stated in the bylaws, Steering Committee leadership:

- is responsible for facilitating dialog during meetings;
- may serve four consecutive, one-year terms and may not simultaneously serve on the CCI Board of Directors;
- is eligible to serve after serving as a county commissioner for at least one year;
- will commit to annual CCI leadership training;
- will commit to advocating for and representing CCI's bill positions;
- will commit to disclosing any conflict in representing CCI's position; and
- will commit to recusing themselves from taking a position on an issue or legislation if they have a personal or professional conflict.

Steering Committee Leaders are expected to:

- 1.) Objectively facilitate dialog among peers;
- 2.) Role model and maintain courteous exchanges among peers;
- 3.) Minimize sharing their own views on matters; and
- 4.) Help identify consensus building paths forward on policy matters at hand

Additionally, there are three delegate openings on the Public Lands Travel Team. Only Commissioners from counties that have paid their 2023 Public Lands dues assessment are eligible for these positions. Travelling committee members are expected to attend three National Association of Counties (NACo) events annually. By submitting your letter of intent, you are attesting that you are available to attend required NACo meetings. For questions about Public Lands leadership openings, please contact Gini Pingnot ([gpingnot@ccionline.org](mailto:gpingnot@ccionline.org), 720-255-8941).

Nominations will be accepted from the floor, but as a courtesy to your peers, we urge you to **submit a letter of intent, using the form below, by Friday, January 13** to Katie First ([kfirst@ccionline.org](mailto:kfirst@ccionline.org)). Letters of intent will be posted on the CCI website as they are received and will also be linked in the meeting agenda.

The election will be the first item of business during each committee meeting on Thursday, January 26 and Friday, January 27. The individual elected will conduct the remainder of the meeting.

For further questions regarding the leadership election process or Steering Committee meetings, contact Katie First at [kfirst@ccionline.org](mailto:kfirst@ccionline.org) or 614-774-6261.

## **ARTICLE XI Committees and Sections**

Section 1. General Provisions. There are hereby established a Bylaws Committee, a Legislative Committee and standing Steering Committees, including: Agriculture, Wildlife & Rural Affairs Committee; General Government Committee; Taxation & Finance Committee; Health & Human Services Committee; Land Use & Natural Resources Committee; Public Lands Committee, Transportation & Telecommunications Committee, Tourism, Resorts & Economic Development Committee and Justice & Public Safety Committee.

Section 2. Steering Committees. (1.) The chair and vice chair of Steering Committees shall be elected by the committee representatives at the first meeting of the for a one-year term . Effective January 1, 2023, the chair and vice chair of each Steering Committee shall be elected by the committee representatives at the first meeting of the committee in 2023 for a one-year term. A person is eligible to serve as a steering committee chair or vice chair after serving in the role of county commissioner for no less than one year. A person shall be eligible to serve as chair or vice chair of a specific Steering Committee for a maximum of four consecutive one-year terms. A person is not eligible to serve as a director and as the chair or vice chair of any Steering Committee. Prior to election as chair or vice chair and then annually every January, each person shall commit to CCI leadership training, to advocating and representing CCI's position, to disclosing any conflict in doing so and to recusing themselves from taking a formal position on an issue or piece of legislation should a personal or professional conflict arise.



## 2023 Steering Committee Letter of Intent

In addition to the questions below, please write a letter of intent (in the space below or attached separately) regarding your desire to serve in a leadership role (Steering Committee Chair, Vice Chair or Public Lands Travel Team delegate). Please include why you want to serve, any public service experience, and/ or any special training or experience relevant.

Name: Mike Freeman

County: Weld

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E-Mail Address: mfreeman@weld.gov

Expiration of Current Term: 2024

Are you term limited?: Yes

Committee(s): LUR

Position(s): Current chair

I, Mike Freeman (insert name) commit to participating in the encouraged training as described in the bylaws.

Please submit to Katie First at [kfirst@ccionline.org](mailto:kfirst@ccionline.org) by January 13, 2023

**Letter of Intent:**

I am currently the chair of the LUNR Steering Committee. I am in my 11<sup>th</sup> year as a County Commissioner in Weld County, and I am the Chairman of Weld County Board of County Commissioners. I am also the President of CTSI.

This is an extremely important steering committee with major issues coming out of the state legislature as we saw last year and will see again this year. I would be honored to chair this committee again this and work collaboratively to achieve what is in the best interests of all Counties.

**Mike Freeman**