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Minneapolis City Council
350 South 5th Street
Room 370
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SUBJECT: Nominating Rebecca Malmquist to the appointed position of City Assessor

Dear Council President Payne, Council Vice President Osman, and Council Members,

With this letter, I am nominating Rebecca Malmquist to the appointed position of City Assessor. The role of City Assessor is critical to the fiscal health and stability of the City. At a time when many communities struggled to adapt to rapidly changing market conditions, Ms. Malmquist has provided steady leadership, objective analysis, and clear communication to taxpayers, elected officials, and stakeholders. She is a trusted resource to City leadership, providing objective market analysis and guidance on emerging issues affecting the City's tax base, fiscal health, and economic development efforts.

The City Assessor plays an important role in supporting City priorities around housing stability and affordability, economic development and redevelopment, data-informed policymaking, and equitable and transparent service delivery. Her experience and expertise ensure that valuations are accurate, consistent, and defensible at a time of valuation complexity.

In addition to leading through market uncertainty, Ms. Malmquist has modernized operations, strengthened taxpayer outreach, and invested in the professional development of her staff. Ms. Malmquist has built a culture of accountability, collaboration, and continuous improvement in the Assessor's Office.

Ms. Malmquist is nationally respected as a leader in her field. She was the President of the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAOO) in 2024 and co-founded of IAEO's Women's Initiative Network. She is a founding member of the WOMEN Employee Resource Group at the City.

I am requesting that the City Council forward her name for appointment to the role of City Assessor and refer it to the proper Council Committee for a public hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Mayor Jacob Frey

CC: Casey Carl, City Clerk