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To: Government Operations Committee
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Subject: Appointment of Temporary Hearing Panel Members

A resolution is being submitted to the Government Operations Committee for review and approval. This resolution will also require approval by the Legislature. Pertinent information related to the resolution is as follows:

1. Action Request:

Authorization is needed to appoint 6 people to the Temporary Hearing Panels of the Tompkins County Board of Assessment Review.

2. Background:

Each year we must appoint 6 people to the Temporary Hearing Panels to help assist in the Grievance Period when property owners are contesting their assessments. We appoint 2 members to each loosely based panel: urban residential, rural residential and commercial/agricultural.

We had one temporary hearing panel member "graduate" to the full BAR so we need to replace that member. Fortunately, Linda Santos has applied for this position. Ms. Santos has served on this temporary hearing prior and has served for many years on the City of Ithaca's Local Board of Advisory Review. Ms Santos is a Real Estate Agent with Warren Real Estate.

3. Financial Implication

These members are paid \$250/year for their services and the funding is already included in our 2017 Budget.