

MEMORANDUM – DENVER AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMISSION

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Office of Boards & Commissions
DATE:	5/7/24
PURPOSE:	Appointments for Denver African American Commission
PROCESS:	City Council Confirmation

Staff Liaison: Yvonne Yu, HRCP

Scope of Board/Commission:

The Denver African-American Commission (DAAC) is tasked with advising the Agency for Human Rights & Community Partnerships Executive Director and the Mayor on issues and concerns that impact and are of importance to the African American community. DAAC serves as a bridge between the African American community and policy-makers and engage in responsible activism for the community.

Appointment Process:

The Mayor appoints up to 21 members and City Council confirms appointments for a term of 3 years.

Mayor Mike Johnston has approved the appointment bellow:

Appointment Candidates:

Justin Toomer (Male, African American)



Bio: Justin Toomer is the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Administrator for the City Attorney’s Office. He is driven by the power and possibility of equitable systems change. He is based in Denver, Colorado, where he works from the Mayor’s Office of Social Equity and Innovation. Born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, he is a first-generation college graduate from Williams College. Based upon the transformational impact his experience afforded him, Justin entered the field of education as a teacher, school leader, and consultant with the intention to increase the opportunities for all students to access a quality and equitable school experience. Justin brings his expertise in learning science, understanding of equitable systems, and relationship-driven mindset to the teams and agencies he is in partnership with in the city and county of Denver.

Term: 06/1/2024 - 05/31/2027 or until a successor is duly appointed

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Monica Badgett, Denver (F)(AA)	09-26-24
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Lolita Tabron, PhD, Denver (F)(AA)	09-26-24
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