REPORT TO THE BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN

DATE: November 23, 2026

FROM: John Fox, Public Utilities Director

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board

INTRODUCTION:
The purpose of this agenda item is to recommend the appointment of Donal Davis as the Town of Collierville's representative on the Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board, replacing John Fox.

BACKGROUND:
The Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board is responsible for protecting and preserving the quality and quantity of groundwater resources throughout Shelby County. The Board establishes regulations governing groundwater protection, including well construction, permitting, inspections, and contamination prevention.

Board members serve four-year terms and include:

- One Professional Engineer
- One Licensed Well Driller
- Five Municipal Representatives
- The Director of the Memphis/Shelby County Health Department
- The President of Memphis Light, Gas and Water (or designated representative)
- Two At-Large Members, appointed by the Mayor of Memphis and the Shelby County Mayor, respectively

As Collierville relies on groundwater for its municipal drinking water supply, representation on the Board provides an opportunity to participate in decisions affecting groundwater protection and long-term water resource management.

DISCUSSION:
On January 13, 2025, John Fox was appointed as the Town of Collierville's representative on the Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board.

Mr. Fox will be departing the Town of Collierville in January 2027. Donal "Don" Davis, formerly the Town's Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager, will serve as Interim Public Utilities Director.

Mr. Davis brings extensive experience in municipal utility operations, regulatory compliance, and environmental protection. During his tenure with Collierville, he oversaw operations at the Shelton Road and Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plants. Prior to joining the Town, he served the City of Memphis as an Operations and Maintenance Supervisor and Quality Control Chemist.

A United States Navy veteran, Mr. Davis holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology with a minor in

Chemistry and a Graduate Certificate in Local Government Administration. His professional credentials include a Grade IV Wastewater Treatment Operator License and a Grade II Wastewater Collection System Operator License.

Mr. Davis's technical education, regulatory experience, and background in municipal utility management provide a strong foundation for representing the Town on matters involving groundwater quality, environmental protection, and long-term water resource management.

Staff recommends appointing Mr. Davis to the Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board to ensure continuity of representation and continued participation in decisions affecting the Town's groundwater resources.

BUDGET IMPACT:
None

PROPOSED MOTION:
To appoint Donal Davis as the Town of Collierville's representative on the Shelby County Groundwater Quality Control Board, replacing John Fox.

Board Action: Motion By_____ Seconded By_____

Vote Total	Hall	Jordan	Robbins	Marshall	Stamps	Fraser
Yes						
No						
Abstain						