



**Retirement Board of the Employees'  
Retirement System  
Regular Meeting**

~ Agenda ~

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Wednesday, February 26, 2020

10:30 AM

Committee "B" (City Hall 3rd Floor)

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**MEMBERS**

James J. Lombardi, III, Chair/City Treasurer	Thomas D'Amico
Raymond A. Hull, Vice Chair	Betty Jackson
Councilman John J. Iglizzi	Jenna Karlin
Sara Silveria, Finance Director	David D. L'Europa, Jr.
Joseph Calle	Carl H. Richards
April Chase-Lubitz	Toby Shepherd
Joseph Colannino	

**1. Approval of Minutes:**

December 17, 2019

**2. Retirement Board Disability Committee Report:**

**Closed Session:** RIGL 42-46-4 and RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1) (Specific to discussion regarding physical or mental health of a person)

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**3. Invoices for payment:**

None

**4. Purchase of Service:**

None

**5. Loans Against Member Retirement Contributions:**

City of Providence					
Retirement Loan Portfolio – E.R.S. Monthly Loan Summary					
<u>January 2020</u>					

	Begin Balance	Loans Issued	Principal Issued	Principal Paid	End Balance
<u>City Sub-totals:</u>	\$17,035,049.13	78	\$346,447.00	-\$243,540.79	\$17,137,955.34
<u>School Sub-totals:</u>	\$ 9,163,064.88	47	\$102,084.00	- \$ 95,765.74	\$ 9,169,383.14
<b>TOTAL:</b>	\$26,198,114.01	125	\$448,531.00	-\$339,306.53	\$26,307,338.48

**6. Service Retirements:**

**a. Maximum:**

Robert R. DeCarlo  
 Eloise F. Malloy (Beneficiary of Edmond Malloy, Jr.)  
 William J. O’Donnell, III  
 Robert Yekelchik

**b. Option I:**

None

**c. Option II:**

Artin Coloian  
 Thomas Scorpio, III  
 Brian T. Welch

**d. Option III:**

Augusta Arce

**e. Option IV:**

Cedric P. Huntley

**7. New/Continued Business:**

- a.** The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss issues pertaining to the Petition for Issuance of Common Law Writ of Certiorari filed with the Rhode Island Supreme Court in *Jared Starnino v. Employees Retirement System of the City of Providence*, No. SU-2018-0233-MP.
  
- b.** Resignation of two Medical Subcommittee members, James J. Lombardi, III and Jenna Karlin.
  
- c.** Appointment of two Medical Subcommittee members in order to fill existing vacancies.

**PER ORDER THE RETIREMENT BOARD OF THE EMPLOYEES'  
RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

James J. Lombardi, III, Chairman

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**Tuesday, December 17, 2019                      10:30 AM                      Committee "B" (City Hall 3rd Floor)**

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PRESENT: James J. Lombardi, III, Vice-Chairman Raymond A. Hull,  
Councilman John J. Igliazzi, Sara Silveria, Director of Finance, Joseph Colannino,  
Thomas D'Amico, Betty Jackson, David L'Europa and Carl H. Richards – 9.

ABSENT: Joseph Callei, April Chase-Lubitz, Jenna Karlin and  
Toby Shepherd – 4.

Also Present are Kenneth Chiavarini, Deputy City Solicitor, Law  
Department; Jill Reese, Pension Administrator; Shawn Selleck, City Clerk and  
Jennifer L. Emidy, Assistant Clerk.

**Organizational Meeting:**

**ELECTION OF A CHAIRPERSON**

Vice-Chairman Hull, calls for nominations for the Chairperson of the Retirement  
Employees' Retirement System. Councilman Igliazzi nominates James J. Lombardi,  
III, and the nomination is seconded by Mr. Richards.

Vice-Chairman Hull calls for further nominations and there being none, the clerk is  
directed to cast one ballot for Mr. Lombardi as Chairman of the Retirement  
Employees' Retirement System on a Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Vice-Chairman Hull, Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Lombardi, Ms.  
Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. E'Luropa and Mr.  
Richards – 9.

ABSENT: Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, and Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd  
-4.

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**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

On motion of Councilman Igliazzi, Seconded by Chairman Lombardi it is voted to strike from the agenda the Election of Vice-Chairperson.

2. **Approval of Minutes:**

November 20, 2019

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. L'Europa and Mr. Richards – 8.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd– 5.

3. **Retirement Board Disability Committee Report: Closed Session: RIGL 42-46-4 and RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1) (Specific to discussion regarding physical or mental health of a person)**

None

4. **Invoices for payment:**

None

5. **Purchase of Service:**

None

6. **Loans Against Member Retirement Contributions**

City of Providence  
Retirement Loan Portfolio – E.R.S. Monthly Loan Summary  
November 2019

	Begin Balance	Loans Issued	Principal Issued	Principal Paid	End Balance
<u>City Sub-totals:</u>	\$17,205,698.85	66	\$200,203.00	-\$387,428.45	\$17,018,473.40
<u>School Sub-totals:</u>	\$ 9,110,691.35	61	\$ 95,021.00	- \$112,488.18	\$ 9,093,224.17
<b>TOTAL:</b>	\$26,316,390.20	127	\$295,224.00	-\$499,916.63	\$26,111,697.57

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<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. L'Europa and Mr. Richards – 8.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd– 5.

**7. Service Retirements:**

**MAXIMUM- Paul A. Doughty- APPLICATION FOR SERVICE**

**RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Paul A. Doughty, employed as a Fire Fighter, by the Fire Department. Mr. Doughty is 54 years of age with a service record of thirty-two years, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Paul A. Doughty – Firefighter/Fire Department

Allowance: \$4,073.73 a month, effective October 6, 2019.

**MAXIMUM- Lori R. Lazzareschi - APPLICATION FOR SERVICE**

**RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Lori R. Lazzareschi, employed as a Payroll Supervisor, by the School Department. Ms. Lazzareschi is 57 years of age with a service record of thirty-two years, seven month, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

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Lori R. Lazzareschi – Payroll Supervisor/School Department

Allowance: \$5,034.32 a month, effective September 15, 2019.

**MAXIMUM- Patricia P. Mendes- APPLICATION FOR SERVICE**

**RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Patricia P. Mendes, employed as a Clerk, by the School Department. Ms. Mendes is 66 years of age with a service record of twenty-one years, seven months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Patricia P. Mendes- Clerk/School Department

Allowance: \$1,581.94 a month, effective September 28, 2019.

**MAXIMUM- Glen P. Philips - APPLICATION FOR SERVICE**

**RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Glen P. Philips, employed as a Captain, by the Fire Department. Mr. Philips is 59 years of age with a service record of thirty-one years, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Glen P. Philips- Captain/Fire Department

Allowance: \$4,649.79 a month, effective September 29, 2019.

**Option I:**

None

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**Option II:**

None

**Option III:**

None

**Option IV – Rebeca A. Garnica- APPLICATION FOR  
SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Rebeca A. Garnica, employed as a Clerk, by the School Department. Ms. Garnica is 75 years of age with a service record of twenty-three years, nine months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Rebeca A. Garnica – Clerk/School Department

Allowance: \$1,128.59 a month, effective October 11, 2019.

**Option IV – Thomas D. Knudde - APPLICATION FOR  
SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of Thomas D. Knudde, employed as an Equipment Mechanic, by the Parks Department. Mr. Knudde is 55 years of age with a service record of twenty-three years, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Thomas D. Knudde- Equipment Mechanic/ Parks Department

Allowance: \$893.66 a month, effective August 24, 2019



**Option IV – John P. Landroche Sr. - APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Reese presents the application for service retirement of John P. Landroche, Sr., employed as a Lieutenant, by the Fire Department. Mr. Landroche Sr., is 51 years of age with a service record of twenty-one years, six months, purchasing four years of military time, and working for the City seventeen years, six months. This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

John P. Landroche, Sr.- Lieutenant/Fire Department

Allowance: \$2,486.41 a month, effective September 20, 2019.

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Mr. Richards  
**SECONDER:** Vice-Chairman Hull  
**AYES:** Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. L'Europa and Mr. Richards – 8.  
**ABSENT:** Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd– 5.

**8. New/Continued Business:**

- a. The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss issues pertaining to the Petition for Issuance of Common Law Writ of Certiorari filed with the Rhode Island Supreme Court in *Jared Starnino v. Employees Retirement System of the City of Providence*, No. SU-2018-0233-MP.**

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Mr. Richards  
**SECONDER:** Vice-Chairman Hull  
**AYES:** Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. L'Europa, Mr. Richards and Mr. Shepherd – 9.  
**ABSENT:** Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd– 5.

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- b. The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and §42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss and vote on whether to consider a recommendation for the revocation and/or reduction of the retirement benefits of Luis A. Aponte.**

On motion of Mr. Richards, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Hull, it is voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and §42-46-5(a)(1)-(2), by the following Roll Call Vote:

**AYES:** Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. E’Luropa and Mr. Richards – 8.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, and Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd – 5.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RECONVENTION**

On motion of Mr. Richards, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Hull, it is voted to reconvene into Open Session, by the following Roll Call Vote:

**AYES:** Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Ms. Silveria, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. E’Luropa and Mr. Richards – 8.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd – 5.

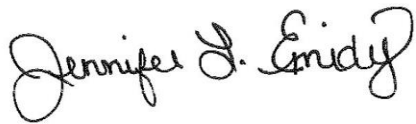
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DENIED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Lombardi, Vice-Chairman Hull, Mr. Colannino, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Mr. L'Europa and Mr. Richards-7.
<b>OPPOSED:</b>	Ms. Silveria – 1.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilman Igliazzi, Mr. Callei, Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Ms. Karlin and Mr. Shepherd– 5.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** On motion of Mr. Richards Seconded by Vice-Chairman Hull it is voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 o'clock A.M.



**City Clerk**



**Assistant Clerk**

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