



Providence External Review Authority (PERA)

Regular Meeting

~ Meeting Minutes ~

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

6:00 PM

Committee "B" (City Hall 3rd Floor)

PRESENT: Chairwoman Alison Eichler; Vice-Chairman Nicholas Figueroa; Dr. Jorge Armesto; Phanida Phivilay Bessette; Kenneth Cohen; Susan DeRita; Machiste Rankin and Deborah Wray – 8.

Also present are Noah Kilroy, Assistant City Solicitor, Law Department; Kunal Vasudev, Research Analyst, City Council Office; Justice Gaines; Vanessa Maldonado; Talia Rankin; Carter Rankin; Dan McGowan, Reporter, WPRI 12; Sheri A. Petronio, Second Deputy City Clerk and Donna M. Peligian, Assistant Clerk.

- 1. Discussion and possible vote relative to the selection of an Executive Director. (The Providence External Review Authority will go into Executive Session pursuant to Rhode Island General Law 42-46-4 and Rhode Island General Law 42-46-5(a)(1).**

MS. DERITA: I'll entertain a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Rhode Island General Law 42-46-4 and Rhode Island General Law 42-46-5 (a)(1), to discuss a personnel issue related to the nomination of an Executive Director.

MS. WRAY: Second.

On motion of Ms. DeRita, Seconded by Ms. Wray, is it voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Rhode Island General Law 42-46-4 and Rhode Island General Law 42-46-5 (a)(1), by the following Roll Call Vote:

ROLL CALL:

Chairwoman Eichler – Aye
Vice-Chairman Figueroa – Aye
Dr. Armesto – Aye
Ms. Bessette – Aye
Mr. Cohen – Aye
Ms. DeRita – Aye
Mr. Rankin – Aye
Ms. Wray – Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RECONVENTION

On motion of Ms. DeRita, Seconded by Dr. Armesto, it is voted to
Reconvene into Open Session by the following Roll Call Vote:

ROLL CALL:

Chairwoman Eichler – Aye
Vice-Chairman Figueroa – Aye
Dr. Armesto – Aye
Ms. Bessette – Aye
Mr. Cohen – Aye
Ms. DeRita – Aye
Mr. Rankin – Aye
Ms. Wray – Aye

Discussion was held relative to the foregoing matter.

MS. DERITA: I would like to make a motion on behalf of the Providence
External Review Authority to submit the nomination of Mr. Jose Batista to serve as
Executive Director of PERA to the Providence City Council for consideration and
confirmation.


MR. COHEN: Second.

On motion of Ms. DeRita, Seconded by Mr. Cohen, it is voted to submit the nomination of Mr. Jose Batista on behalf of the Providence External Review Authority, to serve as Executive Director of PERA to the Providence City Council for consideration and confirmation.

CHAIRWOMAN EICHLER: All those in favor.

COMMITTEE: Ayes.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Mr. Figueroa, Seconded by Ms. Bessette, it is voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 o'clock P.M.


Second Deputy City Clerk


Assistant Clerk