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MINUTES

RFA Governance Board Regular Meeting

10:00 A.M. – Monday, October 14, 2024

Fire Station #13 – 18002 108th Ave SE, Renton

CALL TO ORDER

Governance Board Vice Chair Alberson called the regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Governance Board Members Present:

Kerry Abercrombie, Chair (Fire District 25)

James Alberson, Vice Chair (City of Renton)

Sean Cook (Fire District 25)

Ryan McIrvin (City of Renton)

Marcus Morrell (Fire District 25)

Valerie O'Halloran (City of Renton)

Andrew Schneider (Non-Voting Advisory Position, Fire District 40)

Administrative Staff Present:

Fire Chief Steve Heitman, Chief Administration Officer Samantha Babich, Fire Marshal Anjela Barton, Deputy Chief Mark Seaver, Deputy Chief Dan Alexander, Communications Manager Katie Lewis, Administrative Services Manager Christine Noddings, Site Reliability Engineer Wyatt Humphreys, Facilities Technician Don Highley, Fleet Manager Brice Callaway, Board Secretary Samantha Vergara and RFA Attorney Brian Snure.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no agenda modifications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

Announcement:

Vice Chair Alberson gave acknowledgement and recognition for Indigenous Peoples Day.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of minutes from the September 9, 2024, regular meeting and the approval of vouchers.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member O'Halloran and **SECONDED** by Board Member Morrell to approve the consent agenda for October 14, 2024. **MOTION CARRIED (6-0)**

SIGNING OF VOUCHERS

The governance board members signed the voucher approval letter for October 14, 2024.

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BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no board committee reports.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Deputy Chief Seaver presented the Chief's report until Chief Heitman arrived to present.

DIVISION REPORTS

Each of the division managers presented an overview of their respective division reports.

At the conclusion of Fire Marshal Barton's report, Vice Chair Alberson inquired about the pending demolition of the buildings on Park. Fire Marshal Barton responded, and discussion continued.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

2025 Preliminary Budget

CAO Babich presented the preliminary budget. This was informational and for board consideration, with no action required at this time.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Reminder to the board that in lieu of the October 28, 2024, committee meetings, we will hold a Governance Board special meeting for the Public Hearing on A/V Levy and Fire Benefit Charge.

Reminder to the board that the November regular meeting is rescheduled to Tuesday, November 12, 2024, as Veteran's Day holiday falls on Monday, November 11, 2024. A quorum will be required.

Vice Chair Alberson notified the board that he will be traveling abroad and is unable to attend the November 12, 2024, meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)(iii) to discuss with District legal counsel, in a forum that maintains the attorney client privilege, legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the agency has identified when public discussion of the litigation, or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

Chief Heitman requested that Fire District 40 Commissioner Schneider be included in Executive Session. Vice Chair Alberson acknowledged.

Executive Session was called to begin at 10:30 a.m. for 15 minutes. It was extended 10 additional minutes, ending at 10:55 a.m. for a total for 25 minutes. Regular meeting reconvened at 10:56 a.m.

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FUTURE MEETINGS

- Monday, October 28, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Special Meeting, Fire Station #13 (18002 108th Ave SE, Renton) / Video Conference
- Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Regular Meeting, Fire Station #14 (1900 Lind Ave SW, Renton) / Video Conference

ADJOURNMENT

Board Vice Chair Alberson adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.



Kerry Abercrombie, Board Chair



Samantha Vergara, Board Secretary