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Virginia Port Authority Board of Commissioners
Growth and Operations Committee Meeting
September 27, 2021

The Virginia Port Authority ("VPA") Growth and Operations Committee ("Committee") held a meeting on September 27, 2021 in the VPA Boardroom, 600 World Trade Center, 101 West Main Street, Norfolk, VA.

Growth and Operations Committee Members Present:

Val S. McWhorter, Chair
Joni L. Ivey, Vice Chair
Eva Teig Hardy
Maurice A. Jones
Edward F. O'Callaghan
Deborah C. Waters

Board Members Present:

John G. Milliken, VPA Board Chairman
Faith B. Power, VPA Board Vice Chair
John C. Asbury
Aubrey L. Layne
Louisa M. Strayhorn

VPA Staff Present:

Stephen A. Edwards, CEO and Executive Director
Rodney W. Oliver, Chief Financial Officer
Cathie J. Vick, Chief Development and Public Affairs Officer
Joseph P. Ruddy, Chief Innovation Officer
Monica Y. Sturgis, Chief Human Resources Officer
Ryenne A. Shields, Secretary to the Board
Andrew Sinclair, Director, Federal Government Affairs
Jason Barlow, Vice President, Contracts and Risk Management
Daniel Hendrickson, Vice President, Asset Management and Special Projects
Ashley Fisher, Director, Strategy
Kit Chope, Vice President, Sustainability
Jackie Campbell, Database Analyst
Matt Dudley, Information Technology Technician

Virginia International Terminals, LLC Staff Present:

Kevin Price, Chief Operations Officer
Thomas D. Capozzi, Chief Sales Officer
Rich Ceci, Senior Vice President, Technology and Project Management

Guests:

Hon. Shannon Valentine, Secretary of Transportation (by phone)
W. Brice Fiske, Office of the Attorney General

Chair McWhorter called the meeting to order at 3:38pm.

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Motion for Closed Session

At 3:38pm, Committee Chair McWhorter asked for a motion to go into closed session. The motion was read by Commissioner Waters as follows:

"I move that the VPA Board's Growth and Operations Committee to convene a closed meeting in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to the requirements of §2.2-3711(A)(37), and the provisions of §62.1-132.4, to discuss proprietary information and data furnished to the VPA in confidence, including but not limited to customer and cargo contracts, agreements, or information, ship tally sheets, ship manifests, information relating to tonnages and cargoes, annual budgets; as well as metrics, analyses, and data relating to its health and safety program and terminal throughput activity, including gate, rail, and chassis usage, information technology initiatives; and pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(5), to discuss prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community; and pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(6), to discuss or consider the investment of public funds relating to strategic growth initiatives and projects, where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interests of the VPA would be adversely affected."

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ivey and passed by a roll call vote of the Growth and Operations Committee Members and ex officio members as follows:

Ayes: 8 (McWhorter, Ivey, Hardy, Jones, O'Callaghan, Waters, Milliken, Power)

Nays: 0

Absent During Vote: 0

Absent During Meeting: 0

End of Closed Session

At 5:30pm, the Growth and Operations Committee came out of closed session and the following resolution was read by Commissioner Waters:

"Whereas, the Growth and Operations Committee has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, §2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Committee certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee."

The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Jones and passed by a roll call vote of the Growth and Operations Committee Members and ex officio members as follows:

Ayes: 8 (McWhorter, Ivey, Hardy, Jones, O'Callaghan, Waters, Milliken, Power)

Nays: 0

Absent During Vote: 0

Absent During Meeting: 0

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There were no members of the public present for comment and the meeting adjourned at 5:31pm

Respectfully submitted,



Ryanne A. Shields
Secretary to the Board