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Virginia Port Authority Board of Commissioners
Executive Committee Meeting
May 9, 2022

The Virginia Port Authority (“VPA”) Executive Committee (“Committee”) held a meeting on May 9, 2022 in the VPA Boardroom, 600 World Trade Center, 101 West Main Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

Executive Committee Members Present:

John G. Milliken, VPA Board Chairman – electronic participation
Faith B. Power, VPA Board Vice Chair
Val S. McWhorter
Deborah C. Waters

Executive Committee Members Absent:

Louisa M. Strayhorn

Board Members Present:

Manju S. Ganeriwala
Eva Teig Hardy
Joni S. Ivey – electronic participation
Aubrey L. Layne
Edward F. O’Callaghan

VPA Staff Present:

Stephen A. Edwards, CEO and Executive Director
Cathie Vick, Chief Development and Public Affairs Officer
Shaune Thomas, Director, Organizational Development

Virginia International Terminals (VIT) Staff Present:

Mark Higgins, General Manager, Planning and Automation

Guests:

Hon. Shep Miller, Secretary of Transportation

In accordance with the VPA Board of Commissioners Electronic Participation Policy, Commissioner Ivey participated by electronic connection from her personal residence in Newport News, Virginia due to a medical condition that prevented attendance.

In accordance with the VPA Board of Commissioners Electronic Participation Policy, Chairman John G. Milliken participated by electronic connection from his personal residence in Arlington, Virginia due to a medical condition that prevented attendance.

VPA Board Vice Chair Power called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Motion for Closed Session

At 5:00pm, VPA Board Vice Chair Power 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 Executive Committee convene a closed meeting in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to the requirements of §2.2-3711(A)(1) to discuss the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance and salaries of specific employees of a

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public body, and the provisions of §2.2-3705.6, to discuss proprietary data furnished to the VPA in confidence, and the provisions of §2.2-3711(A)(6) for the discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected.”

The motion was seconded by Commissioner McWhorter and passed by a vote of the Executive Committee Members as follows:

Ayes: 4 (Milliken, Power, McWhorter, Waters)

Nays: 0

Absent During Vote: 1 (Strayhorn)

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End of Closed Session

At 5:56pm, the Executive Committee came out of closed session and the following resolution was read by Commissioner Waters:

“Whereas, the Executive 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;

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 member 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 McWhorter and passed by a vote of the Executive Committee Members as follows:

Ayes: 4 (Milliken, Power, McWhorter, Waters)

Nays: 0

Absent During Vote: 1 (Strayhorn)

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There were no members of the public present for comment and the meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryanne A. Shields
Secretary to the Board