Revere Retirement Board

Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

At a meeting of the Revere Retirement System (RRS), held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 9:05 a.m. at 14 Yeamans St., Suite C2, Revere, the following Revere Retirement Board (RRB), members participated: Mr. Viscay, Ms. Cody, Mr. Cullen and Mr. Cataldo. Also participating in the meeting: Mr. Zapolin, Retirement Administrator. Mr. Manion and Mr. Zaleznik, Board Counsel, participated remotely.

The RRB recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Minutes

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the regular and executive session minutes of the October 26, 2022 meeting of the RRB.

Agenda Item 3 - Legal Matters

The RRB discussed the retirement matter of Mr. Sclafani. Mr. Zaleznik discussed the option of involuntary retirement. On an affirmative vote, Mr. Cataldo moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to draft a letter to the City requesting involuntary retirement for Mr. Sclafani.

Agenda Item 4- Unfinished Business

The 5% COLA local option for 2022 is still pending approval.

Agenda Item 5 - New Enrollments

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the membership of Alexandria Doerflien, MNRECC, 10/27/22, Anna Piccardi, Elder

Affairs, 10/20/22, Francis Reddick, School, 10/17/22, Britney Rivera, School, 10/26/22 and Thomas Skwierawski, Comm. Dev., 10/17/22.

Agenda Item 6 - New Retirements

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Manion moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the retirement allowance of Peter Martino, School, 10/29/2022, Super Option A \$51,925.32, subject to PERAC calculation approval.

Agenda Item 7 – Changes in Benefits

The RRB noted the passing of Eugene Guinasso, Fire, 10/13/2022.

Agenda Item 8 – Survivor Benefits – N/A

Agenda Item 9 – Disability Benefit Awards – N/A

Agenda Item 10 – Awards of Creditable Service/Approval of Installment Plans/ Acceptance of Liability

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the service purchase of Abdessamad Marah, 2y0m, \$11,404.26.

Agenda Item 11- Approval of Warrant and Addendum

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the transfer from PRIT to Bank of America in the amount of \$1,548,000.00 to fund the October 2022 retiree payroll.

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to approve the following warrant expenditures: \$3,500.00 to Yeamans St. Investment LLC for rent, \$3,500.00 to Lawson & Weitzen LLP, \$279.93 to Verizon Wireless, \$226.89 to NationalGrid, \$337.87 to Comcast Business, \$163.32 to WB Mason Inc, \$240.00 to Sil and Viny Cleaners, \$578.00 to UMass Medical School/DES, \$290.00 to NCPERS, \$6.36 to Crystal Rock, \$3,969.12 to Ricoh USA Inc, \$100.00 to NASRA PPCC, \$1,680.36 to Winchester RB for transfer out FBO S Aguirre, \$11,839.79 to M Depina

for refund, \$2,959.95 to Bank of America (20% fed tax – Depina) and \$1,910.24 to State Retirement Board for transfer out FBO A Rivera.

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to acknowledge the October 2022 RRS retiree payroll in the amount of \$1,565,150.42 and the October 2022 RRB payroll in the amount of \$20,130.56.

Agenda Item 12a- Disability Application

The RRB held a hearing on the accidental death application for Frank Ariniello, filed by Nancy Ariniello. Ms. Ariniello was not present. Mr. Zaleznik discussed the issue of whether the heart law applies to accidental deaths that do not occur on duty. The RRB discussed the issues of causation and the presumption. On an affirmative vote, Mr. Manion moving, the RRB voting 3-2 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-no, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-no) to approve the accidental death application based upon the PERAC medical report and the UMass Medical School DES report.

The RRB reviewed the application for accidental disability application of Anthony Vinciarelli. Mr. Vinciarelli was not present. Mr. Cataldo questioned a discrepancy on whether Mr. Vinciarelli was working. On an affirmative vote, Mr. Cataldo moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to request that PERAC appoint a medical panel after receiving clarification from Mr. Vinciarelli on his employment status.

The RRB reviewed the application for accidental disability application of Renee Kephart. Ms. Kephart was not present. The RRB discussed Ms. Kephart's submitted Physician's Statement which indicates that her disability is not permanent. Mr. Zapolin indicated that he had provided a copy of the statement to Ms. Kephart but had not received an amended copy of the statement at the time of the meeting. On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to deny the application based on the lack of a Physician's Statement which indicates that Ms. Kephart's disability is permanent. Mr. Zaleznik discussed the possibility of recovery from a third-party under MGL c. 32, s. 14A should the application ultimately be approved.

The RRB discussed the review process for disability retirement and medical records. The RRB discussed various options. Mr. Zapolin will draft a proposal for a consultant to review applications for accuracy and to conduct a high-level review of the applications. The RRB will review at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 12b – Litigation Strategy – N/A

Agenda Item 13 - New Business/Review of Administrative Items – N/A

Agenda Item 14a – Administrative/Other Items

The RRB discussed the job description. The RRB will review as part of the discussion of the 2023 Budget at the next meeting.

The RRB discussed the RRB's receipt of the Public Pension Coordinating Council's Public Pension Standards Award for Funding and Administration 2022.

The RRB acknowledged receipt of \$12,000.00 from CCMSI for Workers' Compensation offset for G Sacco and \$4,328.26 from A Marah for service purchase.

Agenda Item 14b- Administrator's Report

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to accept for September 2022: the Budget Report, Cash Flow Report, Trial Balance, Adjustments, Cash Receipts Report, Cash Disbursements Report, Reconciliation and PRIT report.

Agenda Item 15- Communications

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to place the following correspondence on file: PERAC Memo #28/2022 840 CMR 28.00 Electronic Signatures and PERAC Memo #27/2022 Free State-Sponsored Cybersecurity Training. The RRB will review the issue of electronic and wet signatures at the February 2023 meeting.

Agenda Item 16 - Other Inquiries

Mr. Zapolin noted that 490 of the 499 annual affidavits sent have been returned. The RRB will hold hearing for those who have not returned the affidavits at the next meeting.

On an affirmative vote, Mr. Viscay moving, the RRB voting 5-0 (Mr. Viscay-yes, Ms. Cody-yes, Mr. Manion-yes, Mr. Cullen-yes, Mr. Cataldo-yes) to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Mr. Zapolin, Administrator

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