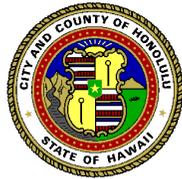


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Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
Honolulu Fire Department Headquarters
Honolulu Fire Department Auditorium
Monday, May 7, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Wataru called the regular meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Wataru, Dr. Joseph Young, Max Hannemann, Charlotte Nekota, and Stefanie Lee.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: William Hong.

IN ATTENDANCE: Fire Chief Manuel Neves (HFD), Deputy Fire Chief Lionel Camara Jr. (HFD), Assistant Fire Chief Scott Lawton (HFD), Assistant Fire Chief Ron Rico (HFD), Chief Socrates Bratakos (HFD), Battalion Chief Joseph Kostiha (HFD), Battalion Chief Jason Samma (HFD), Battalion Chief Jason Samara (HFD), Battalion Chief Howard Naone (HFD), Battalion Chief Jeff Hooker (HFD), Battalion Chief Paul Kato (HFD), Battalion Chief Joe Kostina (HFD), Battalion Chief Jarin Wong (HFD), Brian Ancheta (Corporation Counsel) and Nadine Murata.

II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

Chair Wataru asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to give public testimony. There was no one.

III. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR.

The members of the Commission shall “elect annually ... a Vice Chair to serve for the ensuing year, or until a successor shall be elected” [Rules of the Honolulu Fire Commission, Rule 3.3].

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Chair Wataru asked the Commission for nomination for Vice Chair. Commissioner Nekoia nominated Commissioner Lee. Due to a unanimous vote for Lee, Commissioner Lee was appointed as Vice Chair.

IV. ANNUAL EVALUATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF.

The Commission shall “[e]valuate at least annually the performance of the Fire Chief and submit a report to the Mayor and the Council” [RCH Sec. 6-1006(d)]. The Commission may hold an executive meeting on this item “to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved” [HRS Sec. 92-5(a)(2)], and to “consult with the board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities” with regard to these matters [HRS Sec. 92-5(a)(4)].

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Annual Evaluation of the Fire Chief.

Commissioner Nekota moved and Commissioner Young seconded that the Commission go into executive session regarding the evaluation of the Fire Chief “to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved” [HRS Sec. 92-5(a)(2)], and to “consult with the board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities” with regard to these matters [HRS Sec. 92-5(a)(4)]. The Commission went into Executive Session at 10:10 a.m. and the regular public meeting reconvened at 11:46 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The next meeting TBD.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Nadine Murata, Secretary.

APPROVED:

JAMES WATARU, Chair

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