

## **MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF AND RETIREMENT FUND**

A regular meeting of the Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund (HFRRF) Board of Trustees convened at the Fund offices at 4225 Interwood North Parkway, Houston, Texas 77032 on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Trustees present were Brett R. Besselman (Chair), Stephen R. Whitehead (Vice Chair), Lisa R. Slagle (Secretary), Gerard L. Daniels, Pete Ng, David Riegler, David O. Lantrip, and Albertino "Al" Mays (Citizen Member). Members absent were Arif Rasheed (City Treasurer Designee) and Earnest W. Wotring (Mayor's Representative). Also present were Ted Delisi (Delisi Communications), staff members Ralph D. Marsh (Executive Director), Ajit Singh (Chief Investment Officer), Claudia McInnis (Director of Finance and Administration), Dalia "Dolly" De La Cruz (Director of Member Services), Andrea Sharayha (Human Resources Manager), and Adam E. Smith (General Counsel).

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and invited comments from the public. No comments were received.

There was a motion by David O. Lantrip, seconded by Albertino "Al" Mays, to approve the following items listed on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the Investment Committee meeting held on Wednesday, March 17, 2021.
- C. Approval of the report of the Pension Benefits Committee meeting held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.
- D. Budget and Audit Committee recommendation and consideration for restoration of credit card carrying privileges.

The motion carried.

Gerard L. Daniels entered the meeting room at 10:01 a.m.

The Board welcomed Ted Delisi with Delisi Communications who gave an update on the Fund's governmental relations and the Texas Legislature activity.

Ted Delisi departed the meeting at 10:27 a.m.

The General Counsel provided updates on the Fund's lawsuits against the City of Houston and City officials related to Senate Bill 2190 in the 85th Texas legislature and on the declaratory judgment relating to informal marriage.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m. on a motion by David O. Lantrip, seconded by Lisa R. Slagle. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa R. Slagle  
Board Secretary