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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 31, 2018

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Committee Chair Joe Barkley called the January 31, 2018 Nominating Committee meeting to order at 11:00 AM. Members present: Joe Barkley, Janet Long, Pat Gerard, Patricia Johnson, and Lisa Wheeler-Bowman. Also present were: Brad Miller, CEO and PSTA staff members.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

### ACTION ITEMS

November 27, 2017 Meeting Minutes – Ms. Gerard made a motion, seconded by Ms. Long, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Appointments – Mr. Miller explained that the Nominating Committee's recommendations will be presented at the February Board meeting. He indicated that Councilmember Bill Jonson is a member of three Committees: Finance, Planning, and Forward Pinellas. Since he is termed off the City of Clearwater Council in March, the Committee needs to make recommendations to fill the vacancies.

After a brief discussion regarding the Finance Committee, Ms. Gerard made a motion, seconded by Ms. Long, to recommend the new Clearwater Council representative to serve as an alternate on the Finance Committee and move Mr. Bennett to a full member. There were no public comments. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Miller said that Samantha Fenger expressed her interest to serve on the Planning Committee. Ms. Long made a motion, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to recommend Ms. Fenger for the Planning Committee vacancy. There were no public comments. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Miller stated that six people expressed interest in serving on Forward Pinellas; Darden Rice, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Long, Brian Scott, Ms. Fenger, and Mr. Barkley. Ms. Long talked about what type of individual should be on this Board, as well as other aspects

that should be considered. She does not believe a non-elected official should be on Forward Pinellas. Ms. Long believes she can be a better advocate on the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) if she also serves on Forward Pinellas. Ms. Johnson also talked about why she would like to be on Forward Pinellas. Ms. Long pointed out that there are three County Commissioners who represent every municipality. Mr. Barkley indicated that he represents six small cities and could bring a variety of input and ideas to this Board. Mr. Miller chimed in, mentioning past Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) representatives and meetings. He stated that Mr. Jonson was a true representative for PSTA and that is very important for this position.

Ms. Gerard made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wheeler-Bowman to recommend Ms. Long for the Forward Pinellas Board. There were no public comments. Motion passed (4:1) with Ms. Johnson dissenting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.