

Proceedings of the Selection Committee Meeting of the Lafayette Economic Development Authority (LEDA) held Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at LEDA, located at 211 East Devalcourt Street, Lafayette, LA.

Members present: Chris Arsement, Mike Guidroz, Ramesh Kolluru, Jerry Luke LeBlanc, Willie Leday, Mike Michot, and Frank Neuner

Members absent: EJ Krampe

Additional attendees: Mike Hebert (Becker & Hebert), Pamela LaFleur (LEDA), Lauren Sylvest (Becker & Hebert)

MOTION: To ratify the following prior actions of the Selection Committee. Moved by Frank Neuner, seconded by Jerry Luke LeBlanc, voted aye by all attending.

- a. March 24, 2021 – addition of Willie Leday to Selection Committee
- b. March 31, 2021 – addition of two members to Selection Committee – EJ Krampe and Mike Michot
- c. April 22, 2021 – recommendation to retain Next Move Group as selection firm
- d. May 27, 2021 – establishment of selection process and timeline, preliminary job description, and potential compensation
- e. July 22, 2021 – selection of eight candidates to interview: Monique Boulet, Verdell Hawkins, Larry Holt, Mandi Mitchell, John O’Toole, Bob Shark, Nathan Sparks, and Troy Wayman

MOTION: To go into Executive Session to discuss the character, professional competence, physical or mental health of candidates, including Monique Boulet, Verdell Hawkins, Mandi Mitchell, John O’Toole, Bob Shark, and Troy Wayman. Moved by Frank Neuner, seconded by Willie Leday, voted aye by all attending.

MOTION: To move back into Open Session. Moved by Jerry Luke LeBlanc, seconded by Willie Leday, voted aye by all attending.

MOTION: To select four (4) candidates to be interviewed by LEDA’s Board of Commissioners. Moved by Frank Neuner, seconded by Chris Arsement, voted aye by all attending.

MOTION: To recommend the following four (4) candidates to be interviewed by LEDA’s Board of Commissioners: Monique Boulet, Verdell Hawkins, Mandi Mitchell, and John O’Toole. Moved by Frank Neuner, seconded by Ramesh Kolluru, voted aye by all attending.

No further business was discussed; meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.