

#### SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (METRO) PERSONNEL/HUMAN RESOURCES STANDING COMMITTEE **MEETING MINUTES\*** OCTOBER 13. 2023 - 10:30 AM

A regular meeting of the Personnel/Human Resources Standing Committee of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) was convened on Friday, October 13, 2023.

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- 1 **CALLED TO ORDER** by Director Kalantari-Johnson at 10:39 AM.
- 2 **ROLL CALL:** The following Directors were **present** via teleconference, representing a quorum:

Director Kristen Brown **Director Rebecca Downing Director Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson Director Donna Lind Director Larry Pageler\*** 

City of Capitola **County of Santa Cruz City of Santa Cruz** City of Scotts Valley **County of Santa Cruz** 

\*Participated via teleconference using the "just cause" circumstance.

Julie Sherman

METRO General Counsel

3 ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PERSONNEL/HUMAN **RESOURCES STANDING COMMITTEE** 

Having none, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.

- ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS FROM AGENDA/ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION 4 TO SUPPORT EXISTING AGENDA ITEMS Having none, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.
- REVIEW REQUEST FOR RECLASSIFICATION RESULTS FOR FULL STACK 5 DEVELOPER/SR. FULL STACK DEVELOPER POSTION IN THE INFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Dawn Crummié, METRO's Human Resources Director, spoke to this item. She explained that METRO is taking a current Database Administrator/Sr. Database Administrator position and changing the job description to better align with the duties being performed and meeting the IT Department's needs. There is no change in the funding of this position.

Director Downing asked if the position is currently vacant. Isaac Holly, METRO's IT and ITS Director, responded that the Database Administrator is currently filling the position. We are trying to align the duties in the reclassification to what the position requires. Ms. Crummié added that we are recruiting for the position on a provisional basis.

Director Downing asked if this person would get additional education if needed. Mr. Holly said yes; there is ongoing education needs and opportunities to take classes in his department.

Director Pageler asked Mr. Holly if this is the only open position in the IT Department. Mr. Holly responded that it is.

There were no public comments.

MOTION: REQUEST THE FULL BOARD TO RECLASSIFY THE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR/SR. DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION TO A FULL STACK DEVELOPER/SR. FULL STACK DEVELOPER POSITION

### MOTION: DIRECTOR LIND SECOND: DIRECTOR DOWNING

MOTION PASSED WITH 4 AYES (Directors Downing, Kalantari-Johnson, Lind and Pageler). Director Brown was absent.

Hearing nothing further, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.

6 REVIEW REQUEST FOR RECLASSIFICATION RESULTS FOR PAYROLL SUPERVISOR POSITION IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT Ms. Crummié spoke to this item and explained the need for reclassifying the Sr. Payroll Specialist position. After reviewing the job description and the evolving needs of the Finance Department as it takes on the full payroll duties handled by Santa Cruz County (County), it was determined to reclassify this position into a supervisor role.

There were no public comments.

# MOTION: REQUEST THE FULL BOARD TO RECLASSIFY THE SR. PAYROLL SPECIALIST POSITION TO PAYROLL SUPERVISOR POSITION

## MOTION: DIRECTOR LIND SECOND: DIRECTOR DOWNING

MOTION PASSED WITH 4 AYES (Directors Downing, Kalantari-Johnson, Lind and Pageler). Director Brown was absent.

Hearing nothing further, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.

7 REVIEW REQUEST FOR RECLASSIFICATION RESULTS FOR PARTS AND MATERIALS MANAGER POSITION IN THE PARTS DEPARTMENT Ms. Crummié spoke to this item and explained how the duties and responsibilities of the current Parts and Materials Supervisor have changed and requested the reclassification of this position to a Parts and Materials Manager.

There were no public comments.

# MOTION: REQUEST THE FULL BOARD TO RECLASSIFY THE PARTS AND MATERIALS SUPERVISOR POSITION TO A PARTS AND MATERIALS MANAGER POSITION

MOTION: DIRECTOR DOWNING SECOND: DIRECTOR PAGELER

MOTION PASSED WITH 4 AYES (Directors Downing, Kalantari-Johnson, Lind and Pageler). Director Brown was absent.

Hearing nothing further, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.

8 REVIEW REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION OF PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR POSITION IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Ms. Crummié spoke to this item and requested the creation and funding of a Payroll Administrator to assist the Finance Department with changes in its business processes related to the implementation of the new ERP (enterprise resource planning) system and to support the Payroll Supervisor.

Director Downing asked if adding this position would provide enough support to the Finance Department. Kristina Mihaylova, Finance Deputy Director, responded that we believe this is a reasonable request based on discussions with the County.

Director Pageler asked what the current schedule is for shifting the payroll from the County to in-house METRO. Ms. Mihaylova said the going live deadline is January 1, 2024 and METRO will be transitioning in December 2023. Chuck Farmer, CFO, added that if necessary, we might need to push that out for a smooth transition. Director Lind agreed that testing the system out to reduce errors is key to this transition.

Director Kalantari-Johnson asked if this position is integrated in our existing budget. Ms. Mihaylova said yes.

There were no public comments.

# MOTION: REQUEST THE FULL BOARD TO CREATE AND FUND A PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR POSITION IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

## MOTION: DIRECTOR PAGELER SECOND: DIRECTOR LIND

MOTION PASSED WITH 4 AYES (Directors Downing, Kalantari-Johnson, Lind and Pageler). Director Brown was absent.

Hearing nothing further, Director Kalantari-Johnson moved to the next agenda item.

### 9 ADJOURNMENT

Director Kalantari-Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:54 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Bauer Executive Assistant