

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: June 11, 2019

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Danielle Olson, Director of Human Resources

Re: Appointment to “Blue Ribbon” Panel per PERC Ordinance Appendix “A” Section 1.003

Date: May 31, 2019

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council appoint a “blue ribbon” panel in the same manner as provided in the past, consisting of the chairman of the Citizens Association of Palm Beach and the president of the Palm Beach Civic Association (or their designees). It will be the responsibility of the “blue ribbon” panel to recommend one or more qualified individuals for appointment as Employer Representative to the Town’s Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) at a subsequent Town Council Meeting.

GENERAL INFORMATION

According to the Town’s Code of Ordinances, Appendix A. Section 1.003, the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) shall be composed of a chairman, employee and employer representative to be appointed by the Town Council from a list of persons submitted by an independent “blue ribbon” panel appointed by Town Council. The Employer Representative position previously held by Robin Martin is vacant.

It has been the past practice of the Town Council to appoint the chairman of the Citizens Association of Palm Beach and the president of the Palm Beach Civic Association (or their designees) to form the “blue ribbon” panel. The task for the “blue ribbon” panel will be to submit one or more qualified individuals for appointment by the Town Council. Note, Donald Singer is currently Co-Chairman of the Citizens Association of Palm Beach; however, he is also the appointed Employee Representative on PERC and therefore unable to participate in the selection of the vacancy at this time. The Director of Human Resources has historically served as facilitator of the panel, and will do so again this time. If Town Council desires a new method regarding the formation of the “blue ribbon” panel, please pull this item from the consent agenda and provide staff with additional direction.