



## ***Personnel Committee - Board of Representatives***

Mary Fedeli, Co-Chair

Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Place:** Republican Caucus Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT

The Personnel Committee met at the above date and time. In attendance were Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Figueroa and Committee Member Reps. DePina, Lion, McMullen, Nabel, Patterson and Pendell. Absent or excused was Rep. Zelinsky. Also present were Reps. Cottrell, Matherne, McGarry, Morson, Roqueta, Stella and Summerville; Kathy Emmett, Corporation Counsel; Michael Pollard, Chief of Staff and Clemon Williams, HR Director.

Co-Chair Figueroa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Committee Action</b>
1. <a href="#">P30.006</a>	REVIEW; Legal Opinion re: Appointments. 04/04/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin	Report Made

### ***Secondary Committee: Appointments***

Ms. Emmett explained that this opinion provides that under the Code, the Mayor was able to appoint Mr. Orgera as acting Director of Operations for 120 days, and the appointment may be extended for up to another 6 months with the approval of the Board of Representatives. This extension is only for 5 weeks, and any further extension would require additional Board approval. Mr. Orgera's acting status began after the Board voted on his appointment. Under C5-10-2, a nominated individual may serve in that capacity until voted upon. The Mayor appointed Mr. Orgera as Acting Director of Operations on February 6, 2018, the day after the Board of Representatives' vote. The description of Item 2 should be changed to clarify this.

The Legal Department is not providing an opinion as to whether the reappointment was necessary, but that has been the practice of this and prior administrations.

2. P30.005

APPROVAL; ~~Interim~~ Extension of Appointment of Ernie Orgera as Acting Director of Operations, in accordance with [Code §47-24](#), from June 5, 2018 through July 10, 2018.

Approved 7-0-1

04/04/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

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Mr. Pollard discussed this item with Committee members. He noted that the City is working with professional recruiters to fill this position. The City would like to have access to Mr. Orgera until he retires, although his replacement may take longer. This extension gives the City time to prepare for a possible interim director. There is currently no person holding the position of backup to the Director of Operations. The City has obtained the funding for a professional recruiter and is now in the process of selecting a recruiter. This will be a difficult position to fill because there is no guaranty that the job will continue after the next mayoral election.

Rep. Pendell made a motion to extend the authority for Mr. Orgera to act as Acting Director to an additional six months. There was no second.

A motion to approve the extension of Mr. Orgera's appointment as Acting Director of Operations until July 10, 2018 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-1 (Reps. Figueroa, DePina, Lion, McMullen, Nabel, Patterson and Pendell in favor; Rep. Fedeli abstaining.)

Co-Chair Figueroa adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chair

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