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**TOLLESON POLICE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL
RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD MEETING AGENDA
ZOOM MEETING ID: 847 5640 5298
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026
5:05 PM**

**OR UPON ADJOURNMENT OF TOLLESON FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY
PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD
THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD BY REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY.**

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chavira called the Tolleson Police Public Safety Retirement Board Meeting to order at 5:22 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Christine Chavira, Board Members Sheryl Heier, Katherine Hitz, and Gerardo Ruiz, and Adan Luz Morado

Board Representatives: Board Attorney Lesli Sorensen and Board Secretary Wendy Jackson

Administration: Employee Resources Specialist Yareli Zavala and Deputy City Clerk Citlaly Salas

REGULAR AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2026.
Board Member Ruiz moved to approve the Police Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting minutes; the motion was seconded by Board Member Heier. The motion carried 5 to 0.
Chair Chavira – Aye
Board Member Heier – Aye
Board Member Hitz – Aye
Board Member Ruiz – Aye
Board Member Morado – Aye



2. Discussion and Possible Approval of New Membership Applications:
Board Member Heier moved to go into executive session to receive legal advice; the motion was seconded by Board Member Morado. The motion carried 5 to 0.
Chair Chavira – Aye
Board Member Heier – Aye
Board Member Hitz – Aye
Board Member Ruiz – Aye
Board Member Morado – Aye

Angela Palomera – Date of Hire: September 2, 2025

Membership Effective Date: April 13, 2026

Board Member Ruiz moved to approve the Membership Application for Angela Palomera with no pre-existing conditions as noted on the record; the motion was seconded by Board Member Morado. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Chair Chavira – Aye
Board Member Heier – Aye
Board Member Hitz – Aye
Board Member Ruiz – Aye
Board Member Morado – Aye

Erik Lemus– Date of Hire: August 5, 2025

Membership Effective Date: April 13, 2026

Board Member Heier moved to conditionally approve the Membership Application for Erik Lemus; the motion was seconded by Board Member Ruiz. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Chair Chavira – Aye
Board Member Heier – Aye
Board Member Hitz – Aye
Board Member Ruiz – Aye
Board Member Morado – Aye

Mian Mamy – Date of Hire: September 30, 2025

Membership Effective Date: April 13, 2026

Board Member Hitz moved to conditionally approve the Membership Application for Mian Mamy; the motion was seconded by Board Member Ruiz. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Chair Chavira – Aye
Board Member Heier – Aye
Board Member Hitz – Aye
Board Member Ruiz – Aye
Board Member Morado – Aye

Vernon Henderson – Date of Hire: October 7, 2025

Membership Effective Date: April 13, 2026

Board Member Ruiz moved to conditionally approve the Membership Application for Vernon Henderson; the motion was seconded by Board Member Morado. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Chair Chavira – Aye

Board Member Heier – Aye

Board Member Hitz – Aye

Board Member Ruiz – Aye

Board Member Morado – Aye

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Announcements

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Hitz moved to adjourn the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board Meeting; the motion was seconded by Board Member Ruiz. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Chair Chavira – Aye

Board Member Heier – Aye

Board Member Hitz – Aye

Board Member Ruiz – Aye

Board Member Morado – Aye

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 PM.

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City of Tolleson
Public Safety Personnel Retirement Police Board Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2026

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CHAVIRA: Thank you. This is a meeting of the Tolleson Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board. I am the Chair, Christine Chavira, and I'd like to call this meeting to order. Please state if you are present.

Board Member Sheryl Heier?

HEIER: Present.

CHAVIRA: Board Member Katherine Hitz?

HITZ: Present.

CHAVIRA: Board Member Adan Morado? And Board Member Gerardo Ruiz?

RUIZ: Present.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. Our Board representatives --

SALAS: Oh, and Adan -- sorry, Chair. Adan's admitting right now.

CHAVIRA: Okay.

SALAS: Sorry about that.

CHAVIRA: That's okay.

SALAS: And he's in already.

CHAVIRA: All right. Mr. Morado, we are meeting this evening. And we're taking roll call, and please indicate that you are present. Board Member Adan Morado?

MORADO: I'm present.

CHAVIRA: And Board representatives; our secretary, Wendy Jackson?

JACKSON: Yes, present.

CHAVIRA: And our Board Attorney, Lesli Sorensen?

SORENSEN: Present.

CHAVIRA: Thank you, everyone. The first item on our regular agenda is discussion and possible approval of the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting minutes of March 4th, 2026. Do I have a motion to approve the March 4th, 2026 Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting minutes?

RUIZ: Yeah. Motion to approve the minutes.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. Is there a second?

HEIER: I'll second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. All in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All opposed, say nay. I'm sorry. It's an aye. And the motion is carried. The next item on our agenda is the discussion and possible approval of the new membership applications.

And Mrs. Jackson, you have the floor.

JACKSON: I think it would be appropriate since we have so many to take them one at a time. The first one is for Angela Palomera. Her hire date with us was September 2nd, 2025. First day out of the academy on sworn shift was April 13th, 2026. In your package was her medical evaluation.

HEIER: I'd like to make a motion to go into executive session.

CHAVIRA: Thank you.

JACKSON: Board Attorney, would they go into executive session for each one, or will we go into executive session for all four and come out?

SORENSEN: You can go in for all four.

JACKSON: Okay. Thank you.

CHAVIRA: All right. This meeting is going into executive session.

SALAS: Chair Chavira, I have just a first for hiring. I need a second unless I missed it.

CHAVIRA: I'm sorry. You cut out, and I didn't hear all the --

SALAS: Oh. I only have one motion to move to executive. I need one -- I need a second.

CHAVIRA: Okay.

RUIZ: I can second it.

MORADO: I'll second it.

SALAS: Thank you.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. And therefore, the Board is moving into executive session.

Okay. Thank you all. We are on the second item of our agenda. And we've had some discussion and are looking for the possible approval of the new membership application. And we're going to do one at a time. This is specific to Angela Palomera. Do I have a motion?

RUIZ: I motion to conditionally approve Angela Palomera.

CHAVIRA: And do I have a second?

MORADO: I second it.

CHAVIRA: Thank you, everyone. We have a motion to conditionally approve Angela Palomera. All in favor, say --

SORENSEN: Madam Chair, I believe that was just a straight approval for Ms. Palomera.

CHAVIRA: Okay.

SORENSEN: And no pre-existing conditions.

CHAVIRA: Okay. So not conditionally?

SORENSEN: That's correct.

CHAVIRA: All right. Thank you. Do I have a motion to approve Angela Palomera?

RUIZ: Motion to approve.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. Do I have a second?

MORADO: I'll second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. All in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All opposed, say nay. Thank you.

City Clerk, let the record reflect that everyone was in approval for Ms. Palomera.

The next person is Erik Lemus. Do I have a motion regarding Erik Lemus?

HEIER: I make a motion --

HITZ: I make a motion.

HEIER: -- to approve Erik with preexisting conditions.

CHAVIRA: And do I have a second?

RUIZ: I second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. We have a motion to approve Erik Lemus with preexisting conditions and a second. All in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All right. Ms. Jackson?

JACKSON: Sorry. I had a question. In that medical report, just want to make sure the

Board is aware, we don't know what foot or what part of the body. So would that be a conditional, or --

SORENSEN: Yeah. That's a conditional approval.

JACKSON: Thank you.

CHAVIRA: Thank you.

City Clerk, let the record reflect that this is a conditional approval for Erik Lemus.

All in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All opposed, say nay. Thank you. The motion is carried. The next applicant is Mian Mamy. Do I have a motion?

HITZ: I'll make a motion to conditionally approve Mian Mamy.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. And do we have a second?

RUIZ: I second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. We have a motion to conditionally approve Mian Mamy. All those in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All those opposed, say nay. And the motion is carried. Thank you. And last on our agenda, Vernon Henderson. Do I have a motion for Vernon Henderson?

RUIZ: Motion to conditionally approved Vernon Henderson.

CHAVIRA: Do I have a second?

MORADO: I'll second.

HITZ: I'll second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. We have a motion to conditionally approve Vernon Henderson. All those in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All those opposed, say nay. And the motion is carried. Thank you all very much. The next item on the agenda is for discussion and announcements.

Ms. Jackson, do we have any announcements?

JACKSON: Yes, just one announcement. A question was raised by the Department in

terms of the 90-day wait period after a new hire is graduated from the academy. This is something that was approved by a prior board many years ago, in that the board felt at that time, when a new hire is in the academy, they would not be eligible to get into the system until they fully graduate from the academy. And then, the 90-day wait period would start. So since this question was raised by the Department, I would like to get this on the agenda for you all to discuss, and definitely hear from a legal perspective from our Board Attorney as to what some cities are doing, et cetera. And if you wanted to consider making any changes or not, then that can be done when it's agendized.

HEIER: Wendy, are they asking to make it shorter?

JACKSON: They're asking for the 90-day wait period to start upon hire. And just to give you a little bit of backdrop; these departments, for particularly the Police Department, when they do hire a recruit, they bring them on right away. So on day one, they're just working in the Department until the academy starts. The reason why they do that is because they don't want to lose the candidate. So they come in, they're just working in the Department; maybe helping out, maybe investigations, or doing something else clerical until the academy starts. And that could take a month, two months, three months. And then once the academy starts, then they go in. And the police academy is around five months. Maybe Hitz-- I don't know who else is online -- or Ruiz can chime in, but I believe it's about five months long. And then from there, then the 90-day would start after graduation. For Fire, it's a little bit different. The academy is a little bit shorter. However, they started bringing them on a little bit earlier just to orientate them, get them prepared so they can be successful in the academy. So I just want to give you that background information. And we can probably further talk about that once this is agendized.

HEIER: So they want it to change it to date of hire from date of graduation?

JACKSON: Correct.

HEIER: Okay. Got it. Thank you.

JACKSON: Um-hum.

CHAVIRA: Thank you, Ms. Jackson.

JACKSON: Yes.

CHAVIRA: Anyone else have any announcements? Thank you. Do I have a motion to adjourn?

HITZ: I'll make a motion to adjourn the meeting.

CHAVIRA: Thank you so much. Do I have a second?

RUIZ: Second.

CHAVIRA: Thank you. We have a second to adjourn. All those in favor, say aye.

ALL: Aye.

CHAVIRA: All those opposed, say nay. And the motion is passed, and this meeting is adjourned. Thank you all very much.

HEIER: Good evening.

CHAVIRA: Good evening, everyone.

APPROVED:

CHRISTINE CHAVIRA, CHAIR

ATTEST:

WENDY JACKSON, SECRETARY

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING MINUTES ARE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF THE CITY OF TOLLESON, ARIZONA, HELD ON JUNE 3, 2026. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE MEETING WAS DULY CALLED AND HELD, AND THAT A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

WENDY JACKSON, SECRETARY