

# Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Governance Committee

**DEPARTMENT:** Pre-K 4 SA

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Sarah Baray, Ph.D., CEO

### COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Pre-K 4 SA Board of Directors Appointment

#### SUMMARY:

This item allows the Governance Committee to forward recommendations to the full City Council for appointment to the Pre-K 4 SA Board of Directors for the City Council District 3 appointment for Board Member whose term ends on May 31, 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Early Childhood Education Municipal Development Corporation (Pre-K 4 SA) Board of Directors is comprised of 11 Board Members. In accordance with the Pre-K 4 SA bylaws, the Board of Directors is appointed by the City Council and the Mayor. Each City Council member and the Mayor appoint one Director to the Board. The Mayor's appointee serves as the Chairperson of the Board. District appointees do not have to reside in the City Council District for which they are serving, but they do need to have residency in the City of San Antonio.

Board Members serve two-year staggered terms. Appointees of odd-numbered City Council Districts are serving a term of two years beginning on May 31, 2019 through May 31, 2021. The even-numbered City Council Districts appointments also serve a two-year term that will end on May 31, 2020.

**ISSUE:** 

The City Council Member for City Council District 3 has recommended appointing Joseph De La Garza Jr. to serve for District 3. Mr. De La Garza expressed a willingness to serve on the Pre-K 4 SA Board of Directors. If approved by Council, the term for Joseph De La Garza Jr. will last through May 31, 2021.

After the Governance Committee meeting on February 19, 2020, the District 3 nominee will be presented to the full City Council on March 5, 2020.

Joseph De La Garza is a 1977 graduate of the University of Texas at San Antonio, where he earned a BBA in Accounting. He has more than 30+ years' experience in banking, and currently serves as the Senior Vice President for Commercial Lending at Jefferson Bank. Mr. De La Garza's service to the community includes serving as the Chairman for the South San Antonio Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and serving for fifteen years on the AVANCE San Antonio Board of Directors.

# **ALTERNATIVES:**

City staff worked with the District 3 City Council Member to provide them Board appointee options. The recommendation herein is consistent with the City Council District's input.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this briefing.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Governance Committee approve forwarding the new appointee for City Council District 3 to the full City Council for consideration of approval.