PALM BEACH COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Meeting Date:

November 2, 2021

Department:

Planning, Zoning & Building

Submitted By:

Contractors Certification Division

At Large Board Name:

Construction Industry Licensing Board

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Appointment of three new members and re-appointment of a current member to the Construction Industry Licensing Board (Board).

Appointment James Pickard	<u>Seat #</u> 1	Requirement HARV Contractor	Term 11/2/2021-9/30/2024	Recommended by Commissioner Kerner Commissioner Marino Commissioner Weiss Commissioner Bernard Commissioner McKinlay Commissioner Weinroth
Damaris Guardado	2	Electrical Contractor	11/2/2021-9/30/2024	Commissioner Kerner Commissioner Marino Commissioner Weiss Commissioner Bernard Commissioner McKinlay Commissioner Weinroth
Mark Lodge	9	Engineer	11/2/2021-9/30/2024	Commissioner Kerner Commissioner Marino Commissioner Weiss Commissioner Bernard Commissioner McKinlay Commissioner Weinroth
Re-appointment Frank Keiser	<u>Seat #</u> 6	Requirement Residential Contractor	<u>Term</u> 11/2/2021-9/30/2024	Recommended by Commissioner Kerner Commissioner Marino Commissioner Weiss Commissioner Bernard Commissioner McKinlay Commissioner Weinroth

Summary: The Board was established by Special Act, Laws of Florida, Chapter 67-1876, as amended. The Special Act and, subsequently, Section 489.131, Florida Statutes (F.S.) sets forth the membership of the Board, which consists of 15 members. This Board shall be comprised of fifteen (15) members as follows: two (2) general contractors, one (1) building contractor, one (1) residential contractor; one (1) electrical contractor; one (1) plumbing contractor; one (1) HARV contractor; one (1) roofing contractor; one (1) swimming pool contractor; one (1) architect; one (1) engineer and one (1) full-time building official employed by a local government within Palm Beach County, who meets the requirements of the Building Officials Association of FL; and three (3) consumer representatives. The Board establishes qualifications and competency of contractors that work within the County. The Board also provides for the testing and licensing of these contractors, and is empowered to revoke licenses, and hear citation appeals.

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Attachments:

- 1. Boards/Committees Applications
- 2. Resumes for James Pickard, Damaris Guardado, Mark Lodge and Frank Keiser
- 3. Memorandum to the Board of County Commissioners, September 3, 2021
- 4. Special Act (excerpt regarding membership composition)
- 5. Current Membership List

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Recommended by:	In the	9/29/2021	
	Department Director	Date	
Legal Sufficiency:	8	9/29/2021	
	Assistant County Attorney	Date	

II. REVIEW COMMENTS

A.	Other Department Review:					
	Department Director					

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A memorandum was sent to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) on September 3, 2021 requesting support for the three new board members and one current member, no other nominations were received. The Board currently has eleven out of fifteen seats filled and a diversity count of Caucasian: 8 (73%), Hispanic-American: 2 (18%) and Native-American: 1 (9%). The gender ratio (female: male) is 2:9. The nominees James Pickard, Mark Lodge, and Frank Keiser are Caucasian males; Damaris Guardado is a Hispanic female, this would increase the gender ratio to three females, the diversity is up 27% and participation is 11 members out of 15. Staff is addressing the need to increase diversity within our boards and will continue to encourage this in an effort to expand this Board's diversity. Countywide (SF)

Background and Justification: The membership of the Board consists of two general contractors, and one member of the following categories: building, residential, electrical, plumbing, HARV (Heating, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration and Ventilation), roofing, swimming pool, architect, engineer, and building official. In addition, Section 489.131, F.S. requires that we have three Consumer Representatives. The Board establishes qualifications and competency of contractors that work within the County. The Board also provides for the testing and licensing of these contractors, and is empowered to discipline licensees.