

VPRA Board Decision Brief

Authorization of Executive Director Recruitment

October 26, 2020

Item: Section 33.2-290 of the Code of Virginia states the Board shall employ an Executive Director of the Authority, who shall not be a member of the Board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, to direct the day-to-day operations and activities of the Authority and carry out the powers and duties conferred upon them as may be delegated to them by the Board.

Context: Certain activities, including recruitment of an Executive Director of the Authority, are necessary to stand-up the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority.

Per Section 33.2-290, the Executive Director's compensation from the Commonwealth shall be fixed by the Board in accordance with law. This compensation shall be established at a level that will enable the Authority to attract and retain a capable Executive Director.

The Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) has engaged a consultant for executive recruitment services. DRPT will utilize consultant assistance to recruit and interview candidates for consideration by the Board.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the attached resolution.

Action Required by VPRA Board: Approval of the attached resolution.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.