

# **BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**

#### Committee on

Post Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility Julia Mejia, Chair

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 13, 2025

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Post Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility was referred the following dockets for consideration:

Docket #0106, Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samantha Riemer, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2029.

Docket #0107, Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Janet Peguero, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring October 27, 2029.

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu and were referred to the Committee on November 20, 2024.

Docket #0462, Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Lawrence DiCara, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2026.

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu and was referred to the Committee on February 12, 2025.

# Summary of Legislation

Dockets #0106, #0107, and #0462 pertain to the confirmation and reconfirmation of Samantha Riemer (Docket #0106), Janet Peguero (#0107), and Lawrence DiCara (#0462) to the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee was established by the Acts of 1982 to monitor and review the annual audit of the accounts of the City, which is performed annually by an independent, certified public accounting firm.

The term expiration dates of the nominees are as follows: Samantha Riemer (November 9, 2029), Janet Peguero (October 27, 2029), and Lawrence DiCara (November 9, 2026).

# Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a virtual hearing on Thursday, March 13, 2025 to discuss Dockets #0106, #0107 and #0462. The Committee heard testimony from Janet Peruero, Lawrence DiCara, and Samantha Riemer. The appointees responded to questions from the Councilors regarding their credentials, qualifications, relevant experience, background, areas of expertise, and on the independence, rationale, and criteria that they would exercise and account for when making decisions. All the appointees were experienced, dedicated, and qualified individuals.

#### Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Post Audit:Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility. I recommend moving the listed dockets from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal



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One City Hall Square 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02201 & Phone: (617) 635-3040 & city.council@boston.gov action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that these reappointments and appointments OUGHT TO BE CONFIRMED.

Julia Mejia, Chair

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