## LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

Local Government Ethics Law May 8, 2019 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:14 am by Melanie R. Walter, Chairwoman. Nick Bennett, staff member, stated that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, C.10:4-6 et seq., proper notice was given to the Secretary of State, the Star-Ledger and the Times of Trenton. A roll call vote was taken: 6 members were present: Chairwoman Walter, Alan Avery, Francis Blee, Ted Light, Adrian Mapp and Dominick DiRocco. William Close arrived at 9:15 am. Idida Rodriquez was absent. A quorum was present. Also present were Patricia Parkin McNamara, Executive Secretary and staff members: Dana C. Jones, Dina Venero, and Adam Masef, Deputy Attorney General.

## **MINUTES**

The April 10, 2019 minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Blee to approve the minutes. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.1. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and Mr. Blee to dismiss the complaint. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.2. Chairwoman Walter provided the Attorney General's Office update in the appellate court decision. A discussion was had.

Concerning the matter of III.A.3. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Mapp to transmit the matter to the Office of Administrative Law as a contested case. A vote was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez).

Concerning the matter of III.A.4. Staff provided an update to the 2019 Financial Disclosure Statement filings.

At 9:27 am, a motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Mr. Close to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing complaints and to receive related legal advice. A voice vote was taken, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

At 10:11 am, a motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Mr. Mapp to go into open session. A voice vote was taken. 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

The Local Finance Board determined to break from the Ethics portion of the meeting and take a brief recess. A brief recess was taken. The Local Finance Board will reconvene to consider applications.

The Local Finance Board reconvened to consider the applications.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Parkin McNamara

**Executive Secretary** 

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