Local Finance Board Local Government Ethics Law November 12, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 am by Melanie R. Walter, Chairperson, Patricia Parkin McNamara, Executive Secretary 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 was taken: 5 members were present: Chairperson Walter, Francis Blee, Ted Light, Adrian Mapp and Dominick DiRocco were present. Alan Avery, William Close and Idida Rodriguez were absent. Idida Rodriguez arrived at 9:12 am and William Close arrived at 9:20 am. A quorum was present. Also present were: Craig Keiser, Deputy Attorney General and staff members: Nick Bennett, Dana C. Jones, Margaret Roberts and Dina Venero.

March 11, 2020 meeting minutes. III.A.1 A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. DiRocco to approve minutes. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Avery, Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

September 9, 2020 meeting minutes.IIIA.2 The September 9, 2020 meeting minutes were deferred to next meeting.

Concerning the matter of III.A.3.. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Blee to investigate the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Avery, Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.4. A motion was made by Mr. Light and second by Mr. DiRocco to request complainant submit supplemental information supporting allegations that income was not reported on accused's Financial Disclosure Statement. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Avery, Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.5. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Light to investigate the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Avery, Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriquez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A. 6. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Ms. Rodriguez to dismiss the complaint against the accused due to pending litigation in New Jersey court. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Avery and Mr. Close were absent). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.7. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Light to issue a Notice of Violation and assess \$100.00 fine per FDS filing year for an aggregate \$300. fine against the accused for failing to list real property in which an interest was held on the FDS filed

in three years. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Avery and Mr. Close). Motion passed.

At 9:17 am, a motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Mr. Blee to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing complaints and to receive related legal advice. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Avery). Motion passed.

At 9:58 am, a motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Close to go into open session. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Avery). 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Parkin McNamara

Executive Secretary

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