

Minutes of the Open Meeting of the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board

Date: July 19, 2017

Location: NYC Conflicts of Interest Board, 2 Lafayette Street, Suite 1010, New York, New York

Present:

Board Members: Chair Richard Briffault and Members Fernando Bohorquez, Anthony Crowell, Jeffrey Friedlander, and Erika Thomas

Board Staff: Evan Berkow, Ethan Carrier, Chad Gholizadeh, Maritza Fernandez, Joanne Giura-Else, Amber Gonzalez, Holli Hellman, Gavin Kendall, Roy Koshy, Julia Lee, Carolyn Miller, Katherine Miller, Hannah Reisinger, Upasna Saha, Jeffrey Tremblay, and Michele Weinstat.

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at approximately 9:39 a.m. The Chair stated that the meeting was being conducted pursuant to the New York State Open Meetings Law and designated the undersigned as the Recording Secretary for purposes of the meeting.

The Chair stated that the meeting was called to consider Staff's proposed amendments to Title 53 of the Rules of the City of New York. The Chair then asked for any comments by the Board or Board Staff concerning the proposed amendments.

Comments:

The following comments constitute the changes as agreed upon by the Board and Staff:

- Board Rules § 3-01: To change "includes" to "means" in § 3-01(2) definition of household member.
- Board Rules § 3-02: No comments.
- Board Rules § 3-03: To change "terms fixed by law" to "fixed terms" in § 3-03(d); in the commentary to § 3-03(c), change "expands" to "refines" and conform rest of language; in the commentary to §3-03(g), add sentence to give example of an organization whose purpose would make it less likely to be affiliated with an elected official, e.g. alumni organization, to provide better understanding of the factors used to determine "the purpose of organization."
- Board Rules § 3-04: In the commentary to § 3-04(a)(3), add the word "aggregate" to donations so that it reads: "aggregate donations in excess of \$400".
- Board Rules § 3-05: No comments.
- Staff to determine if Introductory Statement of Purpose and Intent is required and, if so, draft the Statement.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the motion to approve the proposed amendments incorporating the agreed upon changes was passed.

The open meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia H. Lee
Recording Secretary