Baltimore City Ethics Board 626 City Hall Baltimore, MD 21202 June 6, 2018

Minutes of the Public Session

The Ethics Board met on June 6, 2018 at 3:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Department of Legislative Reference, 626 City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland.

Call to Order - Chairperson Lu Pierson, called to order the meeting of the Baltimore City Ethics Board at 3:08 p.m. with a quorum present. Present were Board members Lu Pierson, Stephan Fogleman and Teresa Epps Cummings. Sabrina Johnson Turner joined the meeting in progress. Avery Aisenstark, Ethics Director, and Thaddeus Wataluk, Deputy Ethics Director, were also present.

Chair's report: No report.

Mayor's Solicitation Exemption Request:

Judge Andre Davis, City Solicitor, met with the Board to answer further questions about the solicitation exemption request and to discuss the Baltimore City Foundation.

Director's report:

The Director reported on Spring Ethics training progress and discussed a possible reorganization of the Department of Legislative Reference.

Solicitations/Complaints:

Affordable Housing Trust Fund Commission:

By a vote of 4-0, The Board voted to defer a determination as to whether members of the Commission would be considered "public servants".

Wellness Wednesdays (Mayor's Office): The Board approved the solicitation request by a vote of 4-0.

Journey Home (Mayor's Office): The Board approved the solicitation request on a quarterly reporting schedule by a vote of 4-0.

Back to School Program (Mayor's Office): The Board approved the solicitation request by a vote of 4-0.

AFRAM Festival (Mayor's Office): The Board approved the solicitation request by a vote of 4-0.

Baltimore Rising – Councilman Cohen--The Board approved the solicitation request by a vote of 4-0.

The Board entered into executive session at 4:17 p.m.

Matter of T.S. – Complaint – The Board voted 4-0 to request that the Complainant further substantiate the claims raised in the complaint.

Matter of M.P. – Complaint – The Board voted 4-0 to dismiss the complaint.

Upcoming meeting- The next Board meeting will be July 11, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.