

Baltimore City Ethics Board
626 City Hall
Baltimore, MD 21202
August 12, 2020

Minutes of the Public Session

The Ethics Board met on August 12, 2020 at 2:40 p.m. by conference call.

Call to Order - Chairperson Lu Pierson called to order the meeting of the Baltimore City Ethics Board at 2:40 p.m. with a quorum present. Present were Board members Lu Pierson, Stephan Fogleman and Donna Davis. Avery Aisenstark (Ethics), Anthony DeFranco (Ethics) and Jeffrey Hochstetler (OIG) were also present.

Approval of the minutes: The minutes of the July meeting were approved by a vote of 3-0.

Chair's report: None.

Director's report: Jeffrey Hochstetler, incoming Director of the Ethics Program within Office of Inspector General, was present and discussed the transition of the Ethics Board to that office. The official transition will occur on October 10, 2020. In the interim, the new team with the OIG will be continuing to process financial disclosure statements as well as work with current Ethics staff on developing the new online financial disclosure system.

Solicitations:

Baltimore Development Corporation – This is a renewal application. The BDC has been compliant with all reporting requirements and there were no concerns. The Board approved the report by a vote of 3-0.

Secondary Employment Waiver Request: The Board heard from S.O., who was requesting a secondary employment waiver. The Board entered administrative session at 3:04 p.m. and exited administrative session at 3:33 p.m.

Upcoming meeting- The next Board meeting will be September 9, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. by conference call/Teams.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.