

### **City of Milwaukee**

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

# Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

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Devon Turner, Patricia Hintz, Martha Toran, Joanne Barndt,
and Robert Shelledy

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Wednesday, August 10, 2011

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened at 9:03 A.M.

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.

Mr. Ellis made a correction to the minutes of July 13, 2011 to reflect the presence of Ms. Hintz. Also he made a typographical correction changing the word "approved" to "approve".

Motion by Ms. Barndt, seconded by Mr. Shelledy, to approve minutes as amended. There were no objections.

Members present: Shelledy, Barndt, Hintz, Ellis

**Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty** 

Members Absent: Toran, Turner, Wacker

2. The Board may convene into closed session to hear disciplinary matters and related information pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(b) and/or (f), Wis. Stats., and to consider and render confidential advice pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(h), Wis. Stats.

Ms. Barndt moved, seconded by Hintz, to convene into closed session to hear disciplinary matters and related information pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(b) and/or (f), Wis. Stats., and to consider and render confidential advice pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(h), Wis. Stats.

There was no objection.

3. The Board may then convene into open session as authorized by s. 19.85(2), Wis. Stats.

Motion by Shelledy, seconded by Hintz, for the board to convene into open session as authorized by s.19.85(2), WIs. Stats. There were no objections.

During this closed session, the Board considered the request for two separate confidential advisory opinions and will respond to those requests in the next week to 10 days.

#### 4. Discussion of status of cases filed in municipal court.

Individual present: Jim Owczarski - Deputy City Clerk

Mr. Owczarski presented board members a memo dated August 9, 2011, recommending that the Board ask the Office of the City Attorney to withdraw the citation issued against Ms. Chang.

Mr. Ehrlich clarified to board members that once the matter has been referred to the court, it is not within the Board's position to call them back. There was a consensus that the ethics board does not have the authority to withdraw these types of charges.

#### 5. Report from staff assistant relating to office activities of the previous month.

Staff assistant has received a total of \$625.00 in late fees as of August 10, 2011.

Mr. Ellis asked the Staff Assistant to submitt a list to the city attorney's office, of those individuals that submitted their SEI forms and late filing fees after affidavits were sent to the city attorney's office.

## 6. Review newly filed Statement of Economic Interest Forms for clarity and completeness.

The Board reviewed and approved the forms of Gail Cordoves, Ebony Jiles, Jeffery W. Johnson, Sandra Kellner, Dale Radke, Lillian Carter-Pounds, Tina Chang, William DeLind, Tim Murphy, Allyson Nemec and Gina Spang. There were no objections.

#### 7. Set next meeting date(s).

Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 9:00 A.M. in room 301-A, City Hall

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 A.M. Joanna Polanco Staff Assistant