City of Rochester Board of Ethics - July 10, 2018

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm by Board Chair Carl Steinbrenner.

Members present:

Scott Ginett Calvin Lee Carl Steinbrenner Timothy Weir

Members not present:

Hon. Loretta Scott Naimah Sierra

Non-Members Present:

Tim Curtin, Corporation Counsel Mr. Larry Champoux Mr. Rick Millard Mr. Ted Wright

Reading of Agenda:

• Chair Steinbrenner reviewed the Agenda for the meeting and acknowledged the recent resignation of Board Member James Patterson. Mr. Patterson accepted a position with the City and therefore is prohibited by law from serving on the BOE. The Chair thanked Mr. Patterson for his service and advised a search for his replacement was underway.

Approval of Minutes:

• Minutes for the May 8, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

Pending Business:

• The Board reviewed a series *of Rochester For All* complaints as reflected in the May minutes. The Board discussed the merits of each complaint and unanimously agreed that no ethics code provisions had been violated based on the facts provided. In addition, it was agreed an advisory opinion would be drafted by the Chair and available for review at the August meeting.

- The Board reviewed and discussed the complaint from Mr. Champoux as described in the May minutes. Mr. Champoux addressed questions from board members and provided more detail regarding his concerns. Due to time constraints, the Chair tabled the discussion until the August meeting.
- Corporation Counsel Curtain provided an update on the financial disclosure statement legislation. It's expected the legislation will be voted on by City Council on July 24, 2018 and amended statements will be provided to all required filers.

New Business:

• The Chair advised he recently received a complaint from Mr. Ted Wright regarding Secretary Weir. In response, Secretary Weir asked to recuse himself from the discussion and exited the meeting room for the remaining portion of the proceedings.

Adjournment

• The Chair's motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: August 14, 2018; 6:30 p.m. Rochester City Hall 30 Church Street, Room 208A