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Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 19, 2023

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Held via Teleconference

Item 1: Call to Order: Chair Ostroy called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Item 2: Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum: Roll call was taken, and the quorum requirement was met.

Present **1st District:** Farrell J. Chiles, Mike Gomez
2nd District: Carlos Collard, Ronnie Jayne, Nicole J. Jones
3rd District: Joan Patsy Ostroy
4th District: Cory Allen, Mark Waronek
5th District: Vivian Chan, Harry Leon

Absent **1st District:** Mark Ramos
2nd District: None
3rd District: Michelle Katz, Michelle Rofeh-Lensky
4th District: Charline Sistrunk
5th District: Daniel Deng

Staff Sayuj Panicker (County Counsel), Joel Ayala (Chief Deputy, DCBA), Maggie Becerra (Deputy Director, DCBA), Morine Merritt (Chief, DCBA), Taryn Lyon (Commission Services, DCBA), Stephen Angulo (Commission Services, DCBA)

Public None

Item 3: Approval of the Meeting Minutes for Full Meeting on September 15, 2022, and Special Meeting on December 15, 2022

After review, Commissioner Jayne moved to approve the meeting minutes for September 15 and December 15, 2022. Commissioner Waronek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Item 4: Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission (CAAC) – New Commissioner Appointment and Welcome

Newly appointed Commissioner Nicole J. Jones, 2nd Supervisorial District, provided a brief introduction and was welcomed to the CAAC by the Commission.

Item 5: CAAC – Election

Given that there was only one nominee for each seat, Commissioner Ostroy moved to combine the election of Chair and Vice-Chair into one roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Allen. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote. After roll call vote, Commissioner Mike Gomez was elected as Chair and Commissioner Carlos Collard was elected as Vice-Chair of the CAAC for calendar year 2023.

Item 6: CAAC – 2022 CAAC Annual Report

After review, Commissioner Leon moved to approve the 2022 CAAC Annual Report as drafted, with no changes. Commissioner Ostroy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Item 7: CAAC – 2023 Committee Interest Card

Taryn Lyon, Commission Services Staff, DCBA, shared the 2023 Committee Interest Card. Chair Gomez then appointed Commissioner Jayne as the Chair of the Public Information Committee and Commissioner Leon as Chair of the Legislative Committee and urged other Commissioners to join at least one of the Committees.

Item 8: CAAC – 2023 Commission Goals

After review and discussion, Commissioner Ostroy moved to amend 2022 Commission Goal Number 1 to include the phrase “in addition, to invite speakers and members of the community to attend and or speak at these events” to 2023 Goal Number 1. Commissioner Leon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Item 9: CAAC – Scheduling of Commission Goal Number 5

After discussion on setting the specific meeting dates for the 4th and 5th Supervisorial District to present their reports regarding specific needs within their respective districts, Commissioner Allen moved to schedule the 4th Supervisorial District report for May 18, 2023, and the 5th Supervisorial District Report for September 21, 2023. Commissioner Leon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Item 10: CAAC – Procedural Changes for Invited Presenters and Guest Speakers

Taryn Lyon informed the CAAC that due to previous issues with meeting quorum at Committee meetings, moving forward, invited presenters and guest speakers from outside agencies would only be scheduled for full CAAC meetings. There were no actionable items that occurred from this agenda item after discussion.

Item 11: CAAC Legislative and Public Information Committee Updates

Commissioner Jayne, Chair of the Public Information Committee, stated that the Committee drafted the 2022 Annual Report that was approved during an earlier agenda item. Commissioner Leon, Chair of the Legislative Committee, stated that the Committee requests a 2023 legislative summary from DCBA.

Item 12: DCBA Department Update

Maggie Becerra, Deputy Director, DCBA, provided a summary report on increased card skimming scams that have been received by DCBA. Currently, the Investigations Unit of DCBA is reviewing all suspected scam claims submitted by consumers and urged Commissioners to share information on how consumers can submit reports to DCBA.

Item 13: Future Agenda Items

- Commissioner Attendance Record – As requested by the CAAC
- Legislative Summary – As requested by Commissioner Leon

Item 13: Public Comment

No members of the public were present at this meeting.

Item 14: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.