



## **Ethics Review Board for the City of New Orleans**

### **Board Meeting of July 22, 2024, at Council Chamber, City Hall, New Orleans**

#### **Minutes**

1. *Call to Order.*
    - 1.1. The chair called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.
    - 1.2. Attendance
      - 1.2.1. ERB members present:
        - 1.2.1.1.Dawn Broussard
        - 1.2.1.2.Holly Callia, Chair
        - 1.2.1.3.Monique G. Doucette
        - 1.2.1.4.Patrice Sentino
      - 1.2.2. ERB members absent:
        - 1.2.2.1.Tyrone G. Jefferson, Jr.
        - 1.2.2.2.Sally Richardson
    - 1.2.3. Staff member present: Dane S. Ciolino, Executive Administrator & General Counsel
    - 1.2.4. Staff member present: Jordy Stiggs, Ethics Trainer.
  - 1.3. The agenda for the meeting is attached.
2. *Approval of Minutes.* Upon a duly made and seconded motion, the ERB unanimously approved the minutes of the regular ERB meeting held in May 2024.

3. *Monthly Report of the Ethics Trainer*

- 3.1. Jordy Stiggs appeared.
- 3.2. The board accepted Mr. Stiggs's written report.
- 3.3. Mr. Stiggs reported that the City's IT department can assist with the ERB's website redesign.
  - 3.3.1. The IT department will be able to work with the ERB and redesign the site by year end.
  - 3.3.2. The IT department will make navigation to the ERB website easier.
- 3.4. Mr. Stiggs reported on his request to attend a CORE training conference in Phoenix. He explained that he wants to develop his skills as a trainer and to network with other professionals, learn more about engagement, and to develop skills relating to storytelling, among other issues. The board discussed his request and the costs that would be involved in the trip.
- 3.5. A motion was made and duly seconded to permit Mr. Stiggs to attend the conference. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. *Monthly Report of the Office of the Inspector General.*

- 4.1. Ed Michel appeared on behalf of the Office of the Inspector General. He appeared with Mike Laughlin, general counsel for OIG.
- 4.2. The board accepted his monthly written report (attached).

5. *Monthly Report of the Office of Independent Police Monitor.*

- 5.1. No one appeared on behalf of the Office of the Independent Police Monitor. Ms. Sziment reported that she had COVID and could not attend.
- 5.2. The board accepted Ms. Cziment's monthly report (attached).

6. *Report of the Executive Administrator and General Counsel.*

- 6.1. Mr. Ciolino presented his written report (attached).
- 6.2. Mr. Ciolino reported that there have been two complaints received since the last board meeting.
- 6.3. Mr. Ciolino reported that one ERB positions must be filled. The mayor's office is working on this.
- 6.4. Mr. Ciolino reported that four (4) Council and Mayoral appointments remain unfilled on QARACs for the IG and the IPM.

7. *Executive Session*

- 7.1. After a motion, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session at 4:46 pm. (a) pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes section 42:17(A)(1) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, and (b) pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes section 42:17 to discuss investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct as to ERB Complaints 2024-02 and 2024-03.
- 7.2. After a motion, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to return to general session at 5:47 p.m.
- 7.3. After a motion, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to DEFER consideration of ERB Complaint 2024-02 until the resolution of related civil service proceedings.
- 7.4. After a motion, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to DISMISS ERB Complaint 2024-03 for failure to allege a violation of the City of New Orleans Code of Ethics.

8. *Election of Officers*

- 8.1. After a motion/nomination, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to elect Dawn Broussard as chair.
- 8.2. After a motion/nomination, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to elect Patrice Sentino as vice-chair.
- 8.3. After a motion/nomination, duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to elect Monique Doucette as secretary.

9. *Adjournment.*

- 9.1. A motion was made to adjourn the ERB meeting.
- 9.2. The motion was seconded.
- 9.3. The ERB unanimously voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

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