



CITY OF BOSTON
Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission

Minutes

Wednesday, November 20, 2019, 9:45 A.M.

**Boston City Hall – Thomas Atkins Conference Room – 5th Floor
One City Hall Square, Boston, MA 02201**

Commission Members Present: Sammy Nabulsi, Chair; Vivien Li; Assistant City Clerk Alex Geourntas, designee of City Clerk Maureen Feeney and Christine O’Donnell, City Council Central Staff, designee of City Council President Andrea Campbell

Commission Members Not Present: Stephanie Everett, City Clerk Maureen Feeney and City Council President Andrea Campbell

Call to order at 9:50 A.M.

Sammy Nabulsi, Chair of the Commission, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance and first order of business was to review and approve the minutes of the October 17, 2019 Commission Meeting.

Motion to approve the October 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes was offered by Vivien Li and seconded by Christine O’Donnell. All in favor.

Discussion ensued relative to the draft proposed regulations prepared by Sammy Nabulsi and reviewed during the meeting. There will be a public comment period relative to the proposed regulations via the web and during a public hearing. Proposed regulations could be further defined as a result of the public comment period. Vivien expressed her appreciation to Sammy for undertaking this important task of developing Commission regulations. The Commission as a whole expressed their thanks as well to Sammy’s efforts.

Suggested changes to Draft Proposed Regulations are as follows:

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Section 1, add “Office of the City Clerk” before One City Hall Square.

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Section 3, under c, delete written and add, the following shall be

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Section 2, under a, add scheduling before meetings

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Section 5, under 2, add Fee to title before Waiver

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Under b, add the following language: Form PC as part of Request (Annual Report)

Under 2, change September 1 to October 1

Delete second 2 and that reworded section will be added to the first section 2

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Section 14 will be moved and constituted as Section 7

Motion offered by Sammy Nabulsi to proceed with the publication process relative to the proposed regulations as amended during Commission meeting. This will include newspaper publication and public hearing through MGL Chapter 30A and seconded by Vivien Li. All in favor.

Discussion ensued as to Chapter 30A requirements for public hearings and public comment periods as follows:

*Requires 21 day advance notice of hearing and publication in newspaper

*Small Business Impact Statement required as well that includes number of small businesses impacted, describe increased costs, record keeping impact and explanation on impact of regulations on the creation of new businesses.

Commission will contact local newspaper for ad requirements/information and city's Economic Development Office to assist with impact statement.

Motion offered to adjourn meeting by Vivien Li and seconded by Alex Geourntas. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 11 AM.

Minutes approved by the Commission at its meeting of February 19, 2020.

