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MEETING REPORT

Wednesday April 13, 2022

7:00pm

The meeting was held remotely at the above date and time. In attendance were Commissioners Biliczianski, Bowser, Camporeale, Halpern, Kolenberg, Lane, Larobina, Loeb, Lombardo, Martinez, McMullen, Michelson, Pramberger and Williams. Commissioner Pioli helped start the meeting but then left due to illness.

1. Co-Chair Kolenberg called the meeting to order at 7:07pm
2. Roll call was taken and Commissioner Williams led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Co-Chair Kolenberg read communications, updating the Commission that he called to thank Mr. Hendricks from the FOIA Commission for his briefing at the March 30, 2022 meeting, and that a member of the public who wrote to the Commission would be invited to testify at the public hearing.
4. The Commission adopted Roberts Rules of Order as its rules of order with a unanimous voice vote.
5. The Commission set May 11, 2022 as the date of the public hearing. Commissioner Camporeale made a motion to hold the public hearing remotely via Zoom. After much debate, Commissioner Camporeale withdrew her motion and reintroduced it as having one public hearing in person and another via Zoom. The Commission approved this idea by a majority vote.
6. The Commission then decided on the time between the in person and virtual public hearings. A motion was made and seconded to space the two hearings one week apart. After debate, this motion failed on a tied vote. Another motion was made to hold the hearings back to back, on May 11 & 12, which was approved by majority vote.
7. Commissioners discussed efforts to promote the public hearing in addition to the required Public Notice. Co-Chairs Lombardo and Kolenberg agreed to write an op-ed in the Stamford Advocate to invite the public to the hearing. Commissioner Michelson suggested reaching out to other news sources such as the CTExaminer and CTNewsJunkie.com. Commissioner Williams will reach out to the unions and Interfaith Council. Co-Chair Lombardo will contact the Operations Department to confirm a venue for the in person public hearing.
8. Commissioners voted on April 27, 2022 for the date of the next meeting. This meeting will consist of briefings by experts in the charter process in the State of Connecticut.

9. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the March 30, 2022, Commissioner Pramberger amended the motion to clarify language in item 4 of the minutes. The amendment passed unanimously, and the minutes as amended were then passed with one absention.
10. Meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm

Respectfully submitted,

Co-Chairs Lombardo & Kolenberg