

**WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING**

**Wednesday, September 12, 2018  
Laurel, Maryland**

Chair T. Eloise Foster called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m., in the Commission Office Large Conference Room of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (hereinafter "WSSC") Richard G. Hocevar ("RGH") Building, 14501 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, Maryland, 20707, with due notice having been given to all members of the Commission and the public. In addition to Chair Foster, Commissioners Fausto R. Bayonet, Omar M. Boulware, Howard A. Denis, Chris Lawson and Thomasina V. Rogers, were present at the meeting, reflecting the presence of a quorum. Also in attendance was WSSC Corporate Secretary Sheila R. Finlayson, Esq., who recorded the minutes of the meeting.

**OPEN SESSION**

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and stating the purpose of the meeting, as follows: "to conduct interviews of candidates recommended by the Inspector General Appointment Committee for the current WSSC Inspector General (IG) Recruitment. The WSSC Office of the Inspector General was established in 2018 by the Maryland General Assembly with October 1, 2018 as its effective date of operation. The Act requires the Commission to select the WSSC Inspector General from the Appointment Committee's list of recommended candidates.

The Appointment Committee, consisting of one Commissioner from Montgomery County (Howard Denis), one Commissioner from Prince George's County (Thomasina Rogers), one member of the public selected by the Montgomery County Council (Benjamin Smith) and one member of the public selected by the Prince George's County Council (Turkessa Green), met on August 22, 2018 to review candidates sourced by the search firm of Krauthamer & Associates, engaged by the Commission to assist with the IG recruitment.

The Committee interviewed six candidates on September 7, 2018 and has recommended four candidates for the Commission's consideration. The law requires that the Committee prepare and submit to the Commission an initial list of at least three and not more than six candidates to recommend for appointment as Inspector General. The Commission interviewed one candidate on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 (yesterday) and will interview the remaining three recommended candidates today during this special closed meeting."

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

**Commissioner Lawson moved to adopt the Special Commission Meeting Agenda of September 12, 2018, as drafted, to which Commissioner Bayonet seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.**

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

**Commissioner Boulware moved that the Commission go into Closed Session pursuant to Maryland Code Annotated, General Provisions Article: Section 3-305(b)(1), to discuss personnel matters related to the Inspector General Recruitment.**

**Commissioner Denis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.**

**At 11:36 a.m., Chair Foster declared the meeting was Closed.**

**ATTENDEES: Chair T. Eloise Foster, Vice Chair Chris Lawson; Commissioners Fausto Bayonet, Omar Boulware, Howard Denis and Thomasina Rogers. Also present: Corporate Secretary Sheila Finlayson.**

**Inspector General Interviews.** The Commission met in executive session to conduct the remaining interviews for the WSSC Inspector General position.

At 4:56 p.m., Commissioner Boulware moved to end the Closed Session. Commissioner Denis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn, to which Commissioner Boulware moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Denis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six aye votes.

At 4:56 p.m., the meeting was declared, adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sheila R. Finlayson, Esq.  
Corporate Secretary