Minutes of the Emergency Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the St. Petersburg Housing Authority April 10, 2019

Commissioner Harvey, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:40 a.m. On roll call, the following Commissioners were in attendance:

Present at Roll: Commissioner Harry L. Harvey, Chair

Commissioner Sharlene Gambrell-Davis Commissioner Ann Sherman-White

Absent at Roll: Commissioner Delphinia Davis, Vice Chair

Commissioner Terri Lipsey Scott

Commissioner Emeritus Dr. Arnett Smith

Staff Present: Mr. Tony L. Love, Chief Executive Officer

Others Present: Attorney Charlie Harris, Trenam

Ms. Michelle Ligon, Consultant, Media and Public Relations

Order of Business:

. Statement of the single business purpose for the Emergency Meeting — Mr. Harris

- . Confirmation of Electronic Notice to the Board Mr. Harvey
- . Legal Report Mr. Harris
- . Adjournment Commissioner Harvey

Discussion:

First affirming the roles and responsibilities of his firm, (Trenam), as they pertain to representation of the SPHA Board, Mr. Harris then stated that, in his opinion, the intentions of current Mayor Rick Kriseman, as expressed to him, by the Mayor, the General Counsel, and as published in the Tampa Bay Times, have given rise to the need for an Emergency Meeting of the Board, to consider and or authorize legal action, in defense of the Board's right and duty to make decisions, absent undue political influence. Mr. Harris also stated that while Trenam would continue good faith negotiation with the Mayor, the SPHA Board should also seek equitable relief, though the Courts.

Commissioner Harvey, expressed agreement with the stated basis for the Emergency Meeting, and the need for immediate Board action to protect the independent operation of the housing authority, as provided under federal and state law. The Commissioners, Mr. Love and Mr. Harris discussed several issues, including, but not limited to: timing, cost and the inherent risks of litigation, potential conflicts of interest, community impact, and cited as most important, the impact of further delay on the current and temporarily relocated residents of Jordan Park. In context, Mr. Harris noted that while preparation for litigation would be necessary, it would delay or otherwise compromise an expedited SPHA filing, given Board approval for Trenam to pursue court action, even if it required Trenam's appointment of cooperating legal counsel and consideration of interested parties.

On motion made by Commissioner Sherman-White, and Second made by Commissioner Gambrell-Davis, a vote was called for the Board authorization of Trenam to continue good faith negotiations with the Mayor and to institute immediate court action, directly, and or through cooperating counsel, on behalf of the Board, with the following results:

Commissioner Harvey Yes
Commissioner Gambrell-Davis Yes
Commissioner Sherman-White Yes

The Board approved the motion.

Mr. Harry Harvey, Chairperson

djourned at 12:36 pm.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Mr. Tony L. Love, Secretary