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CITY OF BOSTON
Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission

Minutes
Thursday, June 16, 2022, 2:00 PM
In-Person Meeting at the Piemonte Room
5th Floor of Boston City Hall

Commission Members Present: Sammy Nabulsi, Chair, Linda Champion, Vivien Li and Interim City Clerk Alex Geourntas

Meeting called to order at 2:02 PM

Sammy Nabulsi, Commission Chair, opened the in-person Commission meeting and welcomed all present.

Commission members reviewed the minutes from the May 26, 2022 and a Motion was offered by Linda Champion to accept the minutes of the May 26, 2022 meeting; seconded by Vivien Li. All in favor.

Update on City Clerk Lobbying

Interim City Clerk Alex Geourntas provided a review of Lobbying data and discussed compliance with online reporting. Non-compliant emails will be sent to those who fail to file their reports on time. All emails will be sent BCC or individually. Lobbying staff will be updated on this process.

Linda Champion referenced CT, CSC and Lexus/Nexus services in Boston to open discussions with each one to incorporate Lobbying process and reports within their services. City Clerk's Office will provide information to educate each service of annual filing and registration requirements.

Sammy Nabulsi, Commission Chair, suggested that for our next meeting the Commission would discuss changes to the city ordinance and creating script for the Lobbying Webinar.

Discussion ensued relative to the Lobbying database where there was no account designated as non-compliant (NC). As an example CastleLeaf, LLC is not listed in database. It was suggested that DOiT staff attend the next meeting.

No updates on reappointments for Commission members from the Mayor's Office as of today.

Old/New Business

Sammy Nabulsi, Commission Chair, spoke with Glenn Williams from BNN concerning Lobbying. More details to follow.

Urban League program starts in August. It's a 6 to 8 week program where students participate in a paid internship creating video presentations as discussed in previous meetings. These video presentations can also be shared with Mass Alliance and Political Lab.

Commission members also mentioned that the next Commission meetings would take place on July 28 and September 29.

Motion to adjourn was offered by Vivien Li and seconded by Linda Champion. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:58 PM.