A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TRUMBULL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WAS OFFICIALLY CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRMAN, ROBERT MARINO, JR., ON DECEMBER 19, 2019, AT 1:30 P.M. IN THE TRUMBULL COUNTY PLANNING CONFERENCE ROOM.

# I. ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken as follows:

Mr. David Barran
Mr. Mauro Cantalamessa
Mr. James Davies
Mr. Frank Fuda
Mr. Robert Marino Jr.
Ms. Melissa Miller
Present
Present
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Present

Mr. Bob Moody Present

Mr. Richard Musick
Mr. Daniel Polivka
Mr. David Rouan
Mrs. Darlene St. George
Present
Present
Present
Present

Trumbull County Planning Commission Staff in attendance: Julie Green, Director; Nic Coggins; and Mitzi Sabella

Also in attendance: William Danso, Trumbull County Prosecutor's Office; Richard Jackson, Interim County Administrator/Director, Human Resources/Risk Management

### II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### III. ADJOURNMENT

### II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. St. George made a motion to go into Executive Session at 1:31 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and consideration of hiring outside legal counsel per *Ohio Revised Code* Section 121.22G3; seconded by Mr. Fuda. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Mr. Barren, Yes

Mr. Cantalamessa, Yes

Mr. Fuda, Yes

Mr. Marino, Jr., Yes

Mr. Moody, Yes

Mr. Musick, Yes

Mr. Polivka, Yes

Mrs. St. George, Yes

## II. EXECUTIVE SESSION, Continued:

The motion carried.

Mr. Jackson and Mr. Danso were asked to stay in the Executive Session. Mrs. Miller arrived at 1:36 p.m.

At 1:51 p.m. Mr. Moody made a motion to come out of Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Polivka. Roll was taken as follows:

Mr. Barren, Yes

Mr. Cantalamessa, Yes

Mr. Fuda, Yes

Mr. Marino, Jr., Yes

Mrs. Miller, Yes

Mr. Moody, Yes

Mr. Musick, Yes

Mr. Polivka, Yes

Mrs. St. George, Yes

The motion carried.

Mr. Cantalamessa then made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Moody:

To authorize the Trumbull County Planning Commission to join with the Trumbull County Prosecuting Attorney to file an application with the Trumbull County Court of Common Pleas for the appointment of Attorney Jeffrey Stankunas and the law firm of Isaac Wiles as legal counsel for Trumbull County Planning Commission in connection with the State Personnel Board of Review claims filed by former the Executive Director of the Planning Commission, Trish Nuskievicz. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mr. Barren, Yes

Mr. Cantalamessa, Yes

Mr. Fuda, Yes

Mr. Marino, Jr., Yes

Mrs. Miller, Yes

Mr. Moody, Yes

Mr. Musick, Yes

Mr. Polivka, Yes

Mrs. St. George, Yes

The motion carried.

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# II. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION, Continued:</u>

*Note:* Practice before the State Personnel Board of Review is a specialized area of legal practice, and Attorney Stankunas has a great deal of experience practicing before this particular Board. Moreover, Attorney Stankunas was previously appointed by CORSA to represent another Trumbull County elected official in a related legal action, and therefore he has prior knowledge of the facts and history of some of the underlying claims. Attorney Stankunas has also been appointed by CORSA to represent the county in other prior matters, and he has always done so with a great deal of professionalism. He has indicated that he is willing to represent the Planning Commission at the reduced CORSA rate of \$185.00.

## III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mrs. St. George made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Cantalamessa. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mr. Barren, Yes

Mr. Cantalamessa, Yes

Mr. Fuda, Yes

Mr. Marino, Jr., Yes

Mrs. Miller, Yes

Mr. Moody, Yes

Mr. Musick, Yes

Mr. Polivka, Yes

Mrs. St. George, Yes

The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Signed Roboth. Wa. (f).
Date 1-14-20

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