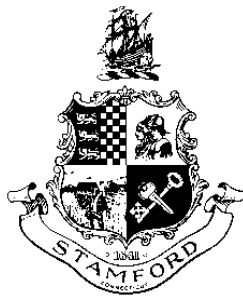


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ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to
Section 19-14 E(2) of
The Stamford Municipal Code of Ethics

June 16, 2021

This Annual Report has been prepared by the Board of Ethics of the City of Stamford (the “Board”), and is delivered to the Mayor and the President of the Board of Representatives pursuant to Section 19-14 E(2) of the Stamford Municipal Code of Ethics (the “Code”). It is for the period beginning June 1, 2020 and ending May 31, 2021 (the “Report Period”).

The Board engaged in the following activities during the Report Period:

1. **Advisory Opinions**

During the Report Period, the Board received four requests for and issued four Advisory Opinions. The requests mostly involved questions of conflict of interest.

2. **Formal Complaints**

During the Report Period there were seven Complaints received and investigated. Six Complaints were dismissed upon findings of no probable cause. In the one Complaint where probable cause was found, a Public Hearing was commenced, but not yet completed during this Report Period.

3. **Board Members**

The Board welcomed Benjamin Folkinshteyn as a Member in August 2020, bringing our membership to eight. The Code calls for a body of seven members and two alternates. Functionally, as has been the practice in past years, alternate Board members are “considered working members of the Board” pursuant to Code Sec. 19-14(A)(6) and participated in all meetings. During this Report Period, the Board continued to operate at less than full strength.

While vacancies have not impaired the progress of our work, there can be situations in which a less than full complement of members could have a significant impact on our fulfilling our responsibilities. The simultaneous investigation of five Complaints during the Report Period brought this to light. Therefore, we ask that the process move forward as quickly as possible to find replacements when vacancies exist.

In a previous year, the Board voted to report the attendance record of each Board member in the Board's Annual Report. The following is the attendance of Board members for this reporting period:

Member Name	Meetings Present	Possible Meetings	Attendance %
Christine Dzujna	8	9	89%
Benjamin Folkinshteyn	7	7	100%
Thomas Hynes	8	9	89%
Allan Lang	9	9	100%
Kevin Quinn	9	9	100%
Myrna Sessa	8	9	89%
Monica Smyth	8	9	89%
Fred Springer	9	9	100%

4. Administrative Support

Our Administrative Assistant Kimberly Hawreluk continues to provide the Board with outstanding support, for which we are most appreciative.

5. Recommendations

We are not submitting recommendations for improvement to the Municipal Code of Ethics at this time. Our most recent recommendations were submitted to the Code Revision Committee of the Board of Representatives in May 2021.