

MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2009
AT 3:00 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR EVS CONFERENCE ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

P R E S E N T: President Frederic Umane

Commissioners J.C. Polanco, Naomi Silie and Gregory Soumas

Marcus Cederqvist, Executive Director

Steven H. Richman, General Counsel

Stewart Liberman, Agency Chief Contract Officer, Procurement

Lucille Grimaldi, Manager, Electronic Voting Systems

John Naudus, Senior System Analyst, Electronic Voting Systems

Tom Sattie, Associate Staff Analyst, Candidate Records Unit

President Umane called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M.

The Manager of Electronic Voting Systems stated that the Board implemented their scannable ballots approximately ten (10) years ago. It was a phased implementation in 2000 and 2001. The first Sequoia contract covered what the Board needed during the first two (2) years: optical scanners, ballots, software, and support for the system. The second Sequoia contract covered extensions, additions, renewals, and additional funds which carried the Board until the end of December 2009. The Agency Chief Contract Officer added that there are no renewals or

extensions for this contract.

Ms. Grimaldi requested approval from the Commissioners to move forward with a new Sequoia contract. President Umane inquired how long the contract would be effective for the Board. Ms. Grimaldi stated it is a five (5) year contract with an option of two (2) years renewal. President Umane stated that under this draft contract the Board is not obligated to use it; it is only used as needed. He stated there is a need for this contract at least the immediate period after December 2009. The Board may not need to use the contract with the implementation of the new voting system. Under current approval by the New York State Board of Elections, the Board is obligated to use Sequoia for its central based optical scanning contract.

President Umane moved to authorize the Board to enter into the proposed new Sequoia contract presented by Ms. Grimaldi and Mr. Liberman. Commissioner Silie seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The Finance Committee designated the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director to conduct the required public hearing on behalf

of the Board and to report to the full Board of Commissioners on any comments made therein. The motion was unanimously adopted.

President Umane adjourned the meeting of the Finance Committee.