



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR TELEPHONIC MEETING**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**August 26, 2020 3:30 P.M.**

***I. Call to Order***

Commissioner Castagno was present via Webex and called the meeting to order at 3:31 P.M. Commissioner Salvatore Bramante was present. Commissioners Michael Ajello, Stephen Penny and Andrew Cascudo were present via Webex. Agency staff was also present and present via Webex.

***II. Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1), (3),(4),(10) and General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300 (Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)***

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Discussion of Candidate Committee Validation Memoranda

Executive Session was not convened.

***III. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund***

***A. New Applications***

1. *"Elect Hopperstad 2020," Cathy Hopperstad*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *"Elect Hopperstad 2020," Cathy Hopperstad*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. *"Boyd 2020," Pat Boyd*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Boyd 2020," Pat Boyd*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

3. *"Re Elect Carol Hall 59th," Carol Hall*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *"Re Elect Carol Hall 59th," Carol Hall*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

4. *“Caroline Simmons for State Representative,” Caroline Simmons*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Caroline Simmons for State Representative,” Caroline Simmons*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

5. *“Desmarais 2020,” Jeffrey Desmarais*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Desmarais 2020,” Jeffrey Desmarais*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

6. *“Foster for Fifty-Seventh,” Jaime Foster*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Foster for Fifty-Seventh,” Jaime Foster*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

7. *“Gary 2020,” Gary Winfield*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Gary 2020,” Gary Winfield*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

8. *“Henrie for 61<sup>st</sup>,” John Henrie*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Henrie for 61<sup>st</sup>,” John Henrie*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

9. *“Lemar 2020,” Roland Lemar*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Lemar 2020,” Roland Lemar*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

10. *“Mase 2020,” Vincent Mase*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Mase 2020,” Vincent Mase*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

11. *“Ziogas 20,” Christopher Ziogas*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Ziogas 20,” Christopher Ziogas*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

12. *“Abrams for State Senate,” Mary Daugherty Abrams*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Abrams for State Senate,” Mary Daugherty Abrams*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

13. *“Beckett for Glastonbury,” Stewart Beckett*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Beckett for Glastonbury,” Stewart Beckett*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

14. *“Leslee Hill for the 17<sup>th</sup> District,” Leslee Hill*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Leslee Hill for the 17<sup>th</sup> District,” Leslee Hill*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

15. *“Matt 2020,” Matthew Lesser*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Matt 2020,” Matthew Lesser*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

16. *“Matt Corey CT,” Matthew Corey*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Matt Corey CT,” Matthew Corey*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

17. *“Mitch for Newtown,” Mitch Bolinsky*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Mitch for Newtown,” Mitch Bolinsky*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

18. *“Reyes 2020,” Geraldo Reyes*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Reyes 2020,” Geraldo Reyes*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

19. *“Southworth for Senate,” Michael Southworth*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Southworth for Senate,” Michael Southworth*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

20. *“Stavens 2020,” David Stavens*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Stavens 2020,” David Stavens*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

21. *“Beyus 2020,” Christopher Beyus*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Beyus 2020,” Christopher Beyus*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

22. *“Brenda 2020,” Brenda Falusi*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Brenda 2020,” Brenda Falusi*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

23. *“David T. Wilson for 66<sup>th</sup>,” David Wilson*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“David T. Wilson for 66<sup>th</sup>,” David Wilson*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

24. *“Elect Hilary Ram for the 67<sup>th</sup>,” Hilary Ram*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Elect Hilary Ram for the 67<sup>th</sup>,” Hilary Ram*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

25. *“Elect Mike Henry 109,” Michael Henry*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Elect Mike Henry 109,” Michael Henry*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

26. *“Elect Susan Johnson,” Susan Johnson*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Elect Susan Johnson,” Susan Johnson*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

27. *“Friends of Pat Dillon,” Patricia Dillon*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Friends of Pat Dillon,” Patricia Dillon*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

28. *“Godfrey 2020,” Bob Godfrey*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Godfrey 2020,” Bob Godfrey*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

29. *“Lanoue for 45<sup>th</sup>,” Brian Lanoue*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Lanoue for 45<sup>th</sup>,” Brian Lanoue*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

30. *“Sanchez 2020,” Robert (Bobby) Sanchez*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Sanchez 2020,” Robert (Bobby) Sanchez*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

31. *“Tercyak 2020,” Peter Tercyak*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Tercyak 2020,” Peter Tercyak*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

***B. Continuation of Prior Applications Awaiting Additional Information to Qualify for a Grant***

1. *“Slap for Senate,” Derek Slap*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Slap for Senate,” Derek Slap*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. *“Judd for 34,” Wilson Melon*

3. *“Lampert 2020,” Audrey Meyer Lampert*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Lampert 2020,” Audrey Meyer Lampert*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

4. *“Smith for Milford,” Erik Smith*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Smith for Milford,” Erik Smith*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

5. *“Abercrombie for State Rep.,” Catherine Abercrombie*

6. *“Gronbach 2020,” David Gronbach*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Cascudo to approve the grant application for *“Gronbach 2020,” David Gronbach*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

***IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session***

***V. Adjournment***

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and Seconded by Commissioner Cascudo at 3:56 PM to adjourn the meeting. Unless otherwise noted, all votes of the Commission are unanimous

***The next regular scheduled meeting is September 2, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.***