

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CITY OF CHICAGO

TO:

Steven I. Berlin

Executive Director, Board of Ethics

Stephen R. Patton

Corporation Counsel, Department of Law

FROM:

David L. Reifman

Commissioner, Department of Planning and Development (the "Department")

Re:

Notice of Recusal – Eport Redevelopment Agreement

Date:

October 4, 2016

Pursuant to that certain ordinance ("Ordinance") enacted by the City Council of the City on July 29, 2003, a Redevelopment Agreement ("Agreement") was signed on December 29, 2003 by and between the City of Chicago ("City") and Eport 600, L.L.C., Eport 600 Riverwalk Owner, L.L.C. and Eport 600 Property Owner, L.L.C. (collectively, "Developer").

The Ordinance states that "The Commissioner of DPD (the 'Commissioner') or a designee of the Commissioner are each hereby authorized, with the approval of the City's Corporation Counsel as to form and legality, to negotiate, execute and deliver [the Agreement] between the Developer and the City in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, and such other supporting documents as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out and comply with the provisions of the [Agreement], and with such changes, deletions and insertions as shall be approved by the persons executing the Agreement and supporting documents."

I became Commissioner of the Department on October 28, 2015 upon my confirmation by the City Council of the City.

My immediate former employer was DLA Piper LLP (US), a law firm. As a partner there, I represented the Developer and participated personally and substantially in the negotiation of the Agreement on behalf of the Developer.

Pursuant to Section 2-156-111(d) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, I hereby recuse myself fully from participating in any capacity in the administration of the Agreement.

I hereby designate the following three individuals, singly or collectively, and further subject to approval by the Corporation Counsel of the City as to the form and legality of his, her or their

proposed actions, to make all decisions, take all actions, and enjoy all rights and privileges of the office of the Commissioner involving the administration of the Agreement:

Anthony Simpkins, Managing Deputy Commissioner of the Department's Housing Bureau, and/or

Patti Scudiero, Managing Deputy Commissioner of the Department's Zoning and Land Use Bureau, and/or

Aarti Kotak, Managing Deputy Commissioner of the Department's Economic Development Bureau.

This designation begins on the date hereof and automatically terminates immediately upon the earlier to occur of (i) my departure from the office of Commissioner, or (ii) the departure of any one or more of the above-named individuals from their respective office as a Managing Deputy Commissioner of the Department.

SIGNATURES of the DESIGNEES

Anthony Simpkins

Managing Deputy Commissioner, Housing Bureau

Patti Scudiero/

Managing Deputy Commissioner, Zoning and Land Use Bureau

Aarti Kotak

Managing Deputy Commissioner, Economic Development Bureau