

RESOLUTION 2025-03-10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., requires all meetings of the Housing Authority Town of Dover to be held in public, and N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in “Executive Session,” i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority Town of Dover has determined that there is one matter to be discussed in Executive Session to be held on March 4th, 2025 commencing at 4:30 pm. and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which the number of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written and to protect the privacy of rights of Dover Housing Authority personnel, the attorney client privilege of the Board of Commissioners, matters of pending and current litigation if any.

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“(1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law, State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion.” The legal citation to the provision(s) at issue is: _____ and the nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____;

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“(2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____;

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“(3) Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is Housing Choice Voucher Program Recipient matter.

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“(4) Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body” The collective bargaining contract(s) discussed are between the Board and _____;

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“(5) Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____d_____;

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“(6) Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____;

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“(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.” The concerns potential legal action and counsel must provide legal advice regarding the Housing Authorities, legal rights and liabilities.

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“(8) Any matter involving the terms and conditions of employment, appointment, termination of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting to the balancing of the public’s interest and the employee’s privacy rights under South Jersey Publishing Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority, 124 N.J. 478, (1991) and as decided by the NJ Supreme Court under Kean Federation of Teachers vs Morrell 448 N.J. 520 (2017) Union the employee(s) and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for personnel confidentiality.

1. Personnel matters. Non-Disciplinary.



“(9) Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.”

The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

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WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be (20) twenty minutes after which the public meeting of the Housing Authority Town of Dover may reconvene and proceed with routine business. Action may be taken after the closed session matter is addressed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority Town of Dover will go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority Town of Dover hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public’s interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary, at the present public meeting, shall read aloud enough of this resolution so that members of the public in attendance can understand, as precisely as possible, the nature of the matters that will privately discussed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary, on the next business day following this meeting, shall furnish a copy of this resolution to any member of the public who requests one at the fees allowed by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

Original Signed By:

Maria Tchinchinian, Secretary

March 4, 2025

Date Adopted