Peace Conversion Commission

Minutes of the December 9, 2021, Meeting

2:00 p.m. in Room 410-B

Marin County Civic Center

3501 Civic Center Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903

Members present Donald Foster, Jonathan Oldfather, James Stephenson,

William Rothman

Members absent Robert Phillips

Staff: Toni Stewart

Guests present: None

1. Call to order

Chairman Rothman called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

1. Approval of minutes of October 6, 2021

M/s Oldfather-Stephenson to approve the PCC minutes of October 6, 2021.

ABSTAIN: Donald Foster (due to absence)

ABSENT: Robert Phillips

3. Biennial Report on PCC activities:

Commissioner Rothman advised that he would fill in the report online.

4. County Treasurer’s Report of Investments:

Commissioner Rothman stated that there is nothing to report.

5. Review of Auditor’s Master List of Checks issued:

Commissioner Oldfather reported that he reviewed periods two, three, and four and there was nothing new. The departments are doing their job.

6. Review of Research for Contractors w/Nuclear Weapons Facilities:

Commissioner Oldfather advised that he filed the Freedom of Information Act Request with the Department of Energy. Commissioner Oldfather said he received an email from a Department of Energy Attorney giving him direction to look at certain Nuclear Weapons Labs vendor lists.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Oldfather reported he hasn’t put together a new master list yet but has an appointment with the Department of Defense in January to download files and will have a new list at our next meeting.

7. Review of Vendor Detail List:

Commissioner Rothman advised he forwarded a list of overwrite to Jim, who will investigate.

Discussion ensued regarding the current procedure. Commissioner Oldfather advised he will investigate CDW Corporation contracts and overrides.

Commissioner Foster expressed great concern regarding purchasing through third party vendors.

After more discussion, Commissioner Oldfather proposed that when he does the review of the master list, he will investigate certain contracts and the group can question any concerns.

8. Report on BOS Agenda items:

Commissioner Phillips (absent today) will report next meeting.

9. Review of Affidavits pending/sent:

M/s Oldfather/Foster to remove Starboard Marine of Sausalito from the list of Nuclear Weapons Contractors.

AYES: ALL

ABSENT: Commissioner Phillips

10. Overrides requested:

Commissioner Rothman noted that there were no overrides requested.

11. Review of Bylaws:

M/s Oldfather – Foster to approve the By-Laws.

AYES: ALL

ABSENT: Commissioner Phillips

Toni will bring ByLaws to next meeting for Commissioner Phillips signature.

12. Report on evaluation of third-party vendors.

Nothing to report

13. Open Time

ZOOM vs in-person meetings were discussed and it was the consensus to have ZOOM meetings in the future.

It was decided the next meeting will be held by ZOOM on 2/17/22 at 2:00 p.m.

14. Other Business

Commissioners briefly discussed concerns regarding third party vendors and decided one Commissioner should be representative. The Chair will be the representative.

M/s Rothman-Oldfather adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

AYES: ALL

Respectfully submitted: Toni Stewart, Secretary, Peace Conversion Commission