

BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

APRIL 14, 1987

THE BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION MET IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBERS OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1987. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRMAN, JUDGE PAUL DONER.

PRESENT WERE: JUDGE PAUL DONER, ED LEWANDOWSKI, BARBARA ALBERTSON

ALSO PRESENT: ANGELA MULDER, SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY CLERK,
VIRGINIA HUTTER, 7TH WARD CITY COMMISSIONER
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JUDGE DONER STATED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS PURSUANT TO SECTION 952 OF THE RECALL LAW WHICH REQUIRES A PETITION FOR RECALL BEFORE BEING CIRCULATED SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE REASONS STATED FOR RECALL IN THE PETITION ARE OR ARE NOT SUFFICIENT IN CLARITY.

MR. LOUIS A. GREEN, THE PARTY WHO INITIATED THE RECALL WAS NOT PRESENT AT THIS MEETING.

JUDGE DONER SAID THAT THERE WAS NOTHING IN THE STATUTE THAT STATED THE PERSON INITIATING THE RECALL IS REQUIRED TO BE AT THE MEETING.

MS. HUTTER STATED THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED A CERTIFIED REGISTERED LETTER FROM THE COUNTY CLERK INFORMING HER OF THE RECALL.

JUDGE DONER SAID THE REASON OF THIS MEETING WAS NOT TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OR THE LACK OF VALIDITY OF THE PETITION ITSELF, IT IS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER THE RECALL PETITION WORDING IS CLEAR, SO THAT THE PERSONS WHO SIGN THE PETITION CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT IT SAYS.

MS. HUTTER SAID THAT THE PETITION WAS NOT CLEAR IN THE LAST PART WHERE IT STATES THAT MS. HUTTER INTERFERED WITH CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FIREFIGHTERS UNION IN VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 4, SECTION 28 OF THE CITY CHARTER. SHE STATED IT DID NOT CLARIFY WHAT INTERFERENCE MEANS.

BOTH MR. LEWANDOWSKI AND MS. ALBERTSON STATED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE THAT SECTION OF THE PETITION CLARIFIED.

IT WAS DISCUSSED THAT THERE IS NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR CIRCULATING THE PETITION AND GETTING AN ELECTION IN ORDER BEFORE THE AUGUST 5, 1987 PRIMARY FOR THIS 7TH WARD SEAT.

JUDGE DONER STATED THAT THERE WERE TWO OPTIONS TO CONSIDER. FIRST, STRIKE THE PORTION OF THE PETITION THAT IS NOT CLEAR OR, CONTINUE THE HEARING AND SET ANOTHER DATE, REQUIRING MR. GREEN TO BE PRESENT.

MR. LEWANDOWSKI MOVED TO SET ANOTHER DATE FOR THE HEARING AND REQUIRE MR. GREEN TO BE PRESENT. MS. ALBERTSON SUPPORTED THIS MOTION, AND IT WAS PASSED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE, 3 YEAS.

MS. ALBERTSON MOVED TO RECESS THE BOARD MEETING UNTIL APRIL 28, 1987 AT 2:00 PM. MR. LEWANDOWSKI SUPPORTED IT AND THE BOARD RECESSED AT 2:20 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BARBARA ALBERTSON