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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS AND ETHICS

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Start: 3:40 p.m.
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HELD AT: 250 Broadway - Committee Rm,
16th Fl.

B E F O R E:
ALAN N. MAISEL
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Julissa Ferreras
Brad S. Lander
Carlos Menchaca
Vincent M. Ignizio

[background comments]

[gavel]

CHAIRPERSON MAISEL: Good afternoon. I am Alan Maisel, Chair of the Committee on Standards and Ethics. I am joined by my colleagues, Minority Leader, Council Member Vincent Ignizio of Staten Island, Council Member Carlos Menchaca of Brooklyn and me. That's all we have here. Our Committee attorney is Jason Otano [sp?].

The Committee on Standard and Ethics is meeting today pursuant to Section 10.80 of the Council Rules on two open matters.

The first is the matter of Dan Halloran and the second; the matter of Ruben Wills.

In re Halloran, the first item on our agenda today is to close the matter regarding Dan Halloran. On April 9, 2013, the Committee on Standards and Ethics met to open the matter after Dan Halloran was indicted; since that time, Mr. Halloran has been convicted of several charges against him; since Mr. Halloran is no longer a member of this body, I move that we close the matter regarding Mr. Halloran and take no further action.

All in favor say aye.

[collective aye]

CHAIRPERSON MAISEL: Aye. 'Kay. So the motion wins.

In re Council Member Wills, the Committee on Standards and Ethics is also meeting today pursuant to the open matter regarding the investigation and subsequent grand jury indictment of Council Member Ruben Wills. I'd like... [pause]

COUNCIL MEMBER MENCHACA: Pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, I move that we go into Executive Session to discuss this matter.

CHAIRPERSON MAISEL: A motion has been made and second and -- we need it to be seconded -- seconded by Mr. Ignizio the motion. All those in favor, say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBER MENCHACA: Aye.

CHAIRPERSON MAISEL: Aye. The motion is carried and so now we go into Executive Session.

I will ask that the sergeant at arms stop taping at this portion of the meeting.

In Executive Session, the Committee reviewed the matter regarding the investigation and subsequent indictment of Council Member Ruben Wills; the Committee voted to hold the matter in abeyance

until the completion of the State's prosecution
against Council Member Wills.

So with that... [interpose] [background
comments]

Second it.

COUNCIL MEMBER MENCHACA: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MAISEL: Okay. So we're now
all in favor? [collective ayes] Alright, so we're
in adjournment.

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date March 12, 2015