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Robert S. Walsh,

Complainant(s)

against

Notice of Meeting

Docket #FIC 2015-129

Mayor, City of Bridgeport; Tax Collector, City of Bridgeport; Richard Dejesus, as member, City Council, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport, Respondent(s)

October 1, 2015

Transmittal of Proposed Final Decision

In accordance with Section 4-179 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Freedom of Information Commission hereby transmits to you the proposed finding and decision prepared by the hearing officer in the above-captioned matter.

This will notify you that the Commission will consider this matter for disposition at its meeting which will be held in the Freedom of Information Commission Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, 1st floor, Hartford, Connecticut, at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28, 2015. At that time and place you will be allowed to offer oral argument concerning this proposed finding and order. Oral argument shall be limited to ten (10) minutes. For good cause shown, however, the Commission may increase the period of time for argument. A request for additional time must be made in writing and should be filed with the Commission ON OR BEFORE October 16, 2015. Such request MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, and (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives.

Although a brief or memorandum of law is not required, if you decide to submit such a document, an <u>original and fourteen (14) copies</u> must be filed *ON OR BEFORE October 16, 2015.* PLEASE NOTE: Any correspondence, brief or memorandum directed to the Commissioners by any party or representative of any party MUST BE (1) copied to all parties, or if the parties are represented, to such representatives, (2) include a notation indicating such notice to all parties or their representatives and (3) be limited to argument. NO NEW EVIDENCE MAY BE SUBMITTED.

If you have already filed a brief or memorandum with the hearing officer and wish to have that document distributed to each member of the Commission, it is requested that <u>fifteen (15)</u> <u>copies</u> be filed *ON OR BEFORE October 16, 2015*, and that notice be given to all parties or if the parties are represented, to their representatives, that such previously filed document is being submitted to the Commissioners for review.

By Order of the Freedom of Information Commission

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Acting Clerk of the Commission

Notice to: Robert S. Walsh

Mark T. Anastasi, Esq.

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

Report of Hearing Officer

Robert S. Walsh,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2015-129

Mayor, City of Bridgeport; Tax Collector, City of Bridgeport; Richard DeJesus, as member, City Council, City of Bridgeport; and City of Bridgeport,

Respondents

June 30, 2015

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on June 29, 2015 at 2:30 P.M, at which time Attorney Mark T. Anastasi, Corporation Counsel for the City of Bridgeport, appeared on behalf of the respondents, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

The hearing officer notes that Attorney Anastasi represented that, prior to the scheduled hearing, he had spent considerable time reviewing the administrative record. speaking to the respondents, and preparing the affidavit of Margo Litz, a paralegal in his office. Attorney Anastasi submitted the affidavit into evidence. In the affidavit, Ms. Litz avers that she search for, assembled and provided the requested records to the complainant in this case free of charge.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

- 1. The complaint is hereby dismissed.
- 2. The complainant is admonished for his failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state and local resources.

Valicia Dee Harmon

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as Hearing Officer