

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

The (Appointment or Reappointment) of MELODIE HAHN HENGERER (EA20-0277)

As a Member

Of the Ethics Board

For A TERM _____ EXPIRING December 31, 2023

received by the City Council from the Mayor on July 20, 2020

and referred to the Committee on Executive Appointments on July 20, 2020

Said Committee held hearing on said Appointment on August 12, 2020

The Committee on Executive Appointments on August 12, 2020

having carefully considered said nomination, recommends that the City Council (confirm or
refuse to confirm) said nomination.

Robert Stokes / m.m.c.

Chairman

As a timely confirmation hearing by the Committee on Executive Appointments was rendered impossible by the occurrence of circumstances unrelated to the merit of the nomination in question, said Committee recommends that the City Council rejects without prejudice the nomination of _____

Chairman

To Her Honor the Mayor

The City Council of Baltimore has (confirmed or refused to confirm) the above on _____, and the vote being: _____ aye, _____ nay, _____ passed.

President

The City Council of Baltimore having received the above mentioned on _____, this will advise your Honor that three regular succeeding meetings have been held by said City Council thereafter without either confirming or refusing to confirm said nomination in accordance with Section 6, Article IV, Charter of Baltimore City (1964 Revision).

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE VOTING RECORD

DATE: 8-12-20

BILL NUMBER: EA 20-0277

BILL TITLE: Melodie Hengerer – Member – Ethics Board of Baltimore City

MOTION BY: Clarke SECONDED BY: Cohen

- FAVORABLE FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS
 UNFAVORABLE WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Stokes, Robert S., Chairman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burnett, Kristerfer -Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clarke, Mary Pat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cohen, Zeke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schleifer, Isaac "Yitzy"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CHAIRPERSON: Robert Stokes, Robert Stokes / m.m.c.

COMMITTEE STAFF: Marguerite M. Currin Initials: m.m.c.

CITY OF BALTIMORE

BERNARD C. "JACK" YOUNG, Mayor



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HEARING NOTES

Bill: EA20-0277

Melodie Hengerer – Member – Ethics Board of Baltimore City

Committee: Executive Appointments
Chaired By: Councilmember Robert Stokes
Hearing Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2020
Time (Beginning): 10:00 AM
Time (Ending): 10:25 AM
Location: Virtual "WebEx" Meeting
Total Attendance: Approximately 15

Committee Members in Attendance:

Robert Stokes Zeke Cohen
Mary Pat Clarke Kristerfer Burnett
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

Table with 3 columns: Question, yes, no, n/a. Rows include Bill Synopsis in the file?, Attendance sheet in the file?, Agency reports read?, Video or audio-digitally recorded?, Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?, Evidence of notification to property owners?, Final vote taken at this hearing?, Motioned by: Councilmember Clarke, Seconded by: Councilmember Cohen, Final Vote: Favorable.

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Melodie Hengerer – Nominee

Major Issues Discussed

- Ms. Hengerer is one of two (2) nominees who came before the committee today. She is being nominated to serve as a member of the Ethics Board of Baltimore City.

2. The chairman asked both nominees to talk about their background, interest in the position and about his/her vision for the Board.
3. Ms. Hengerer talked briefly about her background. Some highlights of same were:
 - o Thanked the Mayor for the nomination
 - o Talked about her background and experience
 - Previously worked in Baltimore City's Law Department
 - While employed in the Law Department had the opportunity to see how city agencies operate
 - Experience/background in litigation
 - Is a city resident
 - Have a private law practice, and
 - Is honored to serve on the Board
4. Committee members made comments and asked Ms. Hengerer questions. Some highlights from same were:
 - o Inspector General Office
 - Are you aware that the Ethics Board may and/or will relocate under the direction of the Inspector General's Office? Answer: Yes
 - Comment: We expect to see a lot of positive changes as a result of the relocation
 - Comment: About the importance of transparency
 - o Ethics Board
 - The duties and functions associated with the Board are important!
 - Comment: Believes the Board could use additional funding; however, the pandemic has caused funding shortfalls
 - Additional funding for the Board should be a priority when it becomes available
5. Several committee members thanked both nominees for their willingness to serve on the Board. Vote taken.

Further Study

**Was further study requested?
If yes, describe.**

Yes No

Committee Vote:

R. Stokes:..... Yea
 K. Burnett:..... Yea
 M. Clarke:..... Yea
 I. Schleifer:..... Yea
 Z. Cohen:..... Yea

Marguerite M. Currin

Marguerite M. Currin, Committee Staff

Date: August 14, 2020

cc: Bill File
 OCS Chrono File



Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

Subject: Executive Nomination – Melodie Hengerer	EA# 20-0277
Committee: Executive Appointments	Chair: Robert Stokes
Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2020	Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Virtual "Webex" Meeting	

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ATTENDANCE ONLY

First Name	Last Name	Address / Organization / Email		What is your position on this bill?		Lobbyist: Are you registered in the City?*	
				For	Against	Yes	No
John	Doe	400 N. Holliday St. Johndoenbmore@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Melodie	Hengerer	Nominee					

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