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1:30 P.M.

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*** Appearing via Zoom ***

Glenn Strickland, Chairman

Honorable Angela D. Rodriguez, Vice Chairman

Michael Butera, designee for District Attorney Kim Ogg

Honorable Oswald Scott, Designee for J. Elaine Marshall

Dylan Osborne, Harris County Treasurer

Kathryn Kase, Designee for Lina Hidago, County Judge

Judith Snively, designee for M. Burgess, District Clerk

Sisto DeLeon, designee for Sheriff Ed Gonzalez

Deputy David Kern, Harris County Sheriff's Office

Leslie Rubio, Recorder, Harris County Sheriff's Office

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P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Okay. My clock shows 1:30.

Sergeant DeLeon on the line?

SERGEANT DELEON: Yes.

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Great. All right. I show it's 1:30 on Wednesday, May 12th, 2021. And my name is Glenn Strickland, the Chairman of Harris County Bail Bond Board; and I'm going to call this meeting to order.

The first item is to get a roll call. And Judge Rodriguez, I see you there. And Mr. Butera, I see you there.

Judge Scott ...

HONORABLE SCOTT: I'm here.

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. And Mr. Osborne ...

MR. OSBORNE: (No response.)

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Osborne ...

MR. OSBORNE: Yes, sir, I am here.

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. And Ms. Kase, I've got you.

And Ms. Snively ...

MS. SNIVELY: Yes, I'm here.

CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: And Judge Martin ...

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1 (Not present.)

2 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Judge Baldwin ...

3 (Not present.)

4 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. McKinney ...

5 (Not present.)

6 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: And Sergeant DeLeon,

7 I have you there.

8 All right. That shows 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 --
9 eight Members of the Harris County Bail Bond Board are
10 attending. Four makes a quorum; so therefore, I shall
11 open the meeting with a reading of prior minutes.

12 The Chair will entertain a motion.

13 MR. BUTERA: This is Michael Butera. I'll
14 make a motion to approve the prior minutes.

15 MR. OSBORNE: Dylan Osborne, second.

16 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Thank you.

17 Any other discussion?

18 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

19 THE BOARD: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Any opposed? Any
21 abstentions?

22 By the way, for the record, if there is
23 anyone on this call that wishes to comment on any issue
24 that is germane to this Board meeting, get my attention
25 and you will be recognized.

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1 All right. Under old business -- we have
2 no old business.

3 Under new business, request made by
4 Troy McLehany DBA H-Town Bail Bonds, License No. 74462
5 to pledge the following property and be added to the
6 bonding liability, HCAD value \$768,285. The address is
7 1415 Franklin Street, Houston, Texas 77002.

8 McLehany, are you online?

9 MR. MCLEHANY: Yes, sir, I am. Good
10 afternoon.

11 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. Is there
12 anyone representing with you?

13 MR. MCLEHANY: No, sir. Just me.

14 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. McLehany
15 would you raise your right hand?

16 (Witness sworn.)

17 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: State your name for
18 the record, please.

19 MR. MCLEHANY: Troy McLehany.

20 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Thank you.

21 Sergeant DeLeon, around the horn.

22 SERGEANT DELEON: Yes. This is
23 Sergeant DeLeon.

24 We did run this through, real property with
25 Harris County to make sure that the property is free.

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1 That came back that it was. We had -- we have no
2 further questions.

3 We did an inspection of the exterior of the
4 building. The property seems to be fine to be pledged.
5 We have no other comments or questions.

6 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right.

7 Judge Scott ...

8 HONORABLE SCOTT: I have no questions.

9 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Osborne ...

10 MR. OSBORNE: No questions here.

11 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Butera ...

12 MR. BUTERA: Just very briefly.

13 Troy, so this is a building we're all
14 familiar with or at least, I've seen it plenty of times
15 there on the corner by the county parking garage.

16 This is the entire building, correct?
17 You're pledging the entire building? It's not like a
18 subpart of the building or anything like that; is that
19 right?

20 MR. MCLEHANY: No. It's the entire
21 building and the ground that it sits on, correct.

22 MR. BUTERA: Okay. Excellent.

23 And you're relying on the appraisal from
24 the appraisal district; is that right?

25 MR. MCLEHANY: That is correct.

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1 MR. BUTERA: Okay. Those are all the
2 questions I have. Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right.

4 Ms. Snively ...

5 MS. SNIVELY: I have no questions.

6 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Ms. Kase ...

7 MS. KASE: No questions.

8 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. Chair
9 will entertain a motion.

10 MR. BUTERA: Glenn -- I apologize, Glenn,
11 but I thought of just one more question, Troy.

12 You're not aware or are you aware of any
13 past history of the building where it had been used for
14 anything that might cause any environmental effects like
15 was previously a gas station or something with buried
16 tanks? I've seen it as that building as long as I've
17 noted. I just want to ask you that question.

18 MR. MCLEHANY: I --

19 The history, I do know about it, is that it
20 was auctioned off by the County -- oh, gosh -- it had to
21 have been 20 years ago.

22 MR. BUTERA: Got that.

23 MR. MCLEHANY: Then Mr. Upshaw got it on an
24 auction.

25 MR. BUTERA: Got you.

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1 MR. MCLEHANY: Anything before that, I

2 really -- I don't -- I don't know the history of it,

3 no.

4 MR. BUTERA: Yeah. Okay. Fair enough.

5 I just wanted to ask. Maybe there was

6 something I hadn't thought of or wasn't aware of.

7 That's all I have. Thank you, Glenn.

8 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Chair will entertain

9 a motion.

10 HONORABLE RODRIGUEZ: Rodriguez moves to

11 approve.

12 MS. KASE: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Do I have a second?

14 MS. KASE: Second.

15 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: That was Ms. Kase,

16 right?

17 MS. KASE: Right.

18 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Right.

19 All those -- any other discussion?

20 All those in favor, signify by saying

21 aye.

22 THE BOARD: Aye.

23 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Any opposed? Any

24 abstentions?

25 Motion carries. Congratulations,

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1 Mr. McKinney. (Sic.)

2 MR. MCLEHANY: Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: McLehany.

4 MR. MCLEHANY: Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. Going to
6 the second and last item on the agenda is request made
7 by Attorney Representative Steven Bell for ASCCI,
8 Wisam Muharib DBA All Access Bail Bonds, License No.
9 74511 to return the security deposit \$50,000 for Chase
10 Bank, CD No. 0100072974965 and replace it with a new CD
11 of \$50,000. JP letters mailed on 4/27/2021.

12 Mr. Bell, are you on the line?

13 MR. BELL: Yes, sir, I am.

14 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Bell, would you
15 raise your right hand?

16 (Witness sworn.)

17 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: And state your name
18 for the record, please.

19 MR. BELL: Steven Bell. I'm attorney for
20 Accredited Surety & Casualty.

21 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Thank you, sir.

22 MR. BELL: If it please --

23 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Now -- yes, sir.

24 MR. BELL: If it would please the Board.

25 I'm just going to say it's actually --

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1 this is not taking any funds down. It's a pure
2 replacement of a CD. And I spoke with David Chang in
3 the Treasurer's Office yesterday and the CD was received
4 and deposited by the county back on the 5th of May, I
5 believe, so ...

6 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: So this is simply
7 swapping out a CD.

8 MR. BELL: Correct. It's simply swapping
9 out one CD of the exact value of the other CD. If the
10 Board remembered back, this has somehow got through.
11 This is an old Chase CD and it's the last one that
12 Accredited has pursuant to Harris County.

13 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right.

14 MR. BELL: And that is all it is. This is
15 a new CD put up by Iberia Bank.

16 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right.

17 All right. So Sergeant DeLeon ...

18 SERGEANT DELEON: I have no questions
19 regarding this item.

20 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Judge Scott ...

21 HONORABLE SCOTT: I'm sorry. I have no
22 questions.

23 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Osborne ...

24 MR. OSBORNE: No questions here.

25 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Mr. Butera ...

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1 MR. BUTERA: No questions.
2 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Ms. Kase ...
3 MS. KASE: No questions.
4 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Ms. Snively ...
5 MS. SNIVELY: No questions.
6 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: All right. Chair
7 will entertain a motion.
8 MR. BUTERA: This is Michael Butera.
9 I'll make a motion to approve.
10 HONORABLE SCOTT: I'll second.
11 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Thank you,
12 Judge Scott.
13 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.
14 THE BOARD: Aye.
15 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Any opposed? Any
16 abstentions?
17 That carries. Thank you, Mr. Bell.
18 At this time --
19 MR. BELL: Okay. Thank you very much.
20 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: -- that is the end of
21 the agenda.
22 Does anyone have anything to put on it?
23 Then having said that, with a meeting that
24 lasted 9 minutes, the Chair will entertain a motion to
25 adjourn.

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1 MR. BUTERA: This is Michael Butera.

2 I'll make a motion to adjourn.

3 MS. SNIVELY: I'll second, Judith Snively.

4 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: And I have a second.

5 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

6 THE BOARD: Aye.

7 CHAIRMAN STRICKLAND: Is there any opposed?

8 Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, and I

9 will talk to you next month same time, same channel.

10 Thank you very much.

11 (Meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.)

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1 STATE OF TEXAS)
2 COUNTY OF HARRIS)
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4 I, Trevor Causey, do hereby certify that the
5 facts as stated by me in the caption hereto are true;
6 that the above and foregoing transcript of the
7 proceedings was taken in stenograph, reduced to
8 typewriting under my direction, and is a full, true and
9 correct transcript of the proceedings.

10 I further certify that I am not, in any
11 capacity, a regular employee of the party in whose
12 behalf this transcript was taken, nor in the regular
13 employee of any attorney; and I certify that I am not
14 interested in the cause, nor of kin or counsel to any of
15 the parties.

16 GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, on this day, the 12th day
17 of May, 2021.

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The State of Texas
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