

**MEETING OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, February 8, 2012**

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The meeting of the Local Government Commission was called to order by Senator Robert D. Robbins at 8:45 a.m. in Room 14 East Wing – Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, with the following individuals present:

**MEMBERS**

**Senator Robert D. Robbins, Chairman  
Senator Edwin B. Erickson  
Senator John H. Eichelberger, Jr.  
Senator John P. Blake  
Representative Chris Ross  
Representative Mauree Gingrich  
Representative Thomas C. Creighton  
Representative Robert Freeman  
Representative Steven J. Santarsiero**

**STAFF**

**Michael P. Gasbarre, Executive Director  
Philip H. Klotz, Assistant Director  
David A. Greene, Legal Counsel  
Karen S. Bear, Secretary**

**GUESTS**

**Chris Yniquez, Senator Robbins' Office  
Lee Derr, Senator Eichelberger's Office  
Luc Miron, Senator Blake's Office  
Ed Troxell, PA State Association of Boroughs  
Ron Grutza, PA State Association of Boroughs  
Stephanie Brennan, PA State Association of Boroughs**

As the first order of business, the Members discussed the minutes of the January 25, 2012, business meeting, which were unanimously approved on a motion by Senator Erickson and a second by Senator Eichelberger. The financial report for the month of January 2012 was presented, and relevant portions thereof were explained by the Executive Director. The financial report was unanimously approved on a motion by Representative Ross and a second by Representative Santarsiero.

The Director discussed the recent e-mail that he had sent to the Members regarding the sale of the Forum Place Building. The building, including the Forum Place parking garage, was purchased by the Pennsylvania Economic Development Authority from the Dauphin County Authority. After some investigation, it was determined that the Local Government Commission will remain responsible for lease payments. The Department of General Services (DGS) has an option to buy the building in 24 years and may manage the building on behalf of the Commonwealth mid-year. DGS has scheduled a meeting with all tenants of the Forum Place Building on Wednesday, February 8, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. to discuss how the sale of the building, including parking facilities, will affect the lease holders and other state agencies that use parking in the Forum Place garage.

At this point in the meeting, the Commission resolved itself into executive session to discuss personnel matters. At the conclusion of the executive session, the Commission reconvened the public meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

**ATTESTED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
February 9, 2012