

WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT") UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)

This form has two sides. *Complete items 1 – 4 before closing the meeting.*

- 1. Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: _____; Time: _____; Location: _____;
Motion to close meeting made by: _____ Seconded by _____;
Members in favor: _____; Opposed: _____;
Abstaining: _____; Absent: _____.

- 2. Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).**
This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:

(1)____ "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; (2)____ "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; (3)____ "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; (4)____ "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; (5)____ "To consider the investment of public funds"; (6)____ "To consider the marketing of public securities"; (7)____ "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; (8)____ "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; (9)____ "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; (10)____ "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; (11)____ "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; (12)____ "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; (13)____ "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; (14)____ "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process." (15)____ "To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to: (i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; (ii) network security information . . . or (iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices."

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3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation	Agency	Reason for closed-session discussion of topic
§3-305(b)		
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4. This statement is confirmed by Robert Brennan, Chair.