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Minutes

**Elevator Study Commission**

**One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Room 1301, DPS Conference Room**

**Wednesday June 1, 2016 at 1:30PM**

**Members Present**

Matt Carlin  
Jennifer Queally  
Stephen Sampson  
Jeffrey Handibode  
George Ramian  
Alexander MacLeod  
Edward Slein  
Jeffrey Halley  
Neil Mullane

**DPS Staff Present**

Beth McLaughlin (Counsel to Commission)  
Ruthy Barros (Administrative Support)

**Absent Member(s)**

Doug Cullington

1. Commissioner Carlin introduced members of the Commission.

2. **Review Draft Report of the Elevator Study Commission and Exhibits**

The Study Commission reviewed the "Residential" section on page 6 of the report. The residential section recommends that the Department should retain jurisdiction to perform an inspection after the initial installation of a residential elevator (and if there is subsequent modernization work done) however it should relinquish responsibility for periodic inspections. The Commission also stated that the Department of Public Safety Elevator Division would recommend to single family owner-occupied dwelling residents to have their elevator maintained

by the a state licensed elevator company. Existing residential elevators will be grandfathered in and will only require inspections at the point in time of a modernization and/or alteration. A motion was placed forth by Alexander MacLeod, that the recommendation be accepted as written. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Halley.

**Vote 7-2; Jeffery Hannibode and George Ramian were in opposition.**

The Study Commission reviewed the “Costs and Fees to Maintain Elevator Safety” section on page 13 of the report. The recommendation states the Commission does not recommend any changes to the cost to maintain elevator safety through an increase of funds for the Department of Public Safety at this time. A motion was placed forth by Jennifer Queally, that the recommendation be accepted as written. The motion was seconded by Alexander MacLeod.

**Vote 9-0; All in Favor.**

The Study Commission reviewed the “Costs and Fees to Certify Elevator Safety” section on page 14 of the report. The recommendation states the Commission recommends adoption of the proposal presented by the Department. A motion was placed forth by Jeffery Hannibode, that the recommendation be accepted as written. The motion was seconded by George Ramian. **Vote 8-1; Alexander MacLeod was in opposition.**

A motion was placed forth by Jennifer Queally to accept the Elevator Study Commission report as drafted with the removal of the following two sentences: “Further, LULAs are not incorporated into a fire detection system and, therefore, there is less need for an annual inspection to ensure they are working properly.” “If this change proves successful and owners perform the repairs without Department re-inspections, the Department is urged to consider eliminating re-inspections for permitted repairs as well.” Motion was seconded by Jeffery Hannibode. **Vote 8-1; Edward Slein abstained.**

Motion to adjourn: Alexander MacLeod

Seconded by: Jeffrey Handibode

**Vote: 9-0; All in Favor**

Meeting concluded at 2:41 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Ruthy Barros