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**EXPANDED AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL SESSION – NOVEMBER 22, 2021**

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**In order to continue to implement recommended social distancing guidelines, HOC will conduct its meetings via an online platform and teleconference call until further notice**

6:00 p.m.	<b><u>SPECIAL SESSION MEETING</u></b>		
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	<b><u>ADJOURN</u></b>		
6:10 p.m.	<b><u>CLOSED SESSION</u></b> <i>The closed Special Session will be called to order pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(14) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.</i>		

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NOTES:

1. This Agenda is subject to change without notice.
2. Public participation is permitted on Agenda items in the same manner as if the Commission was holding a legislative-type Public Hearing.
3. *Times are approximate and may vary depending on length of discussion.*

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# Closing Statement

Written Statement for Closing a Meeting (“Closing Statement”)

Date: November 22, 2021

A. Pursuant to Section 3-305(b) and (d) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, I move to adjourn this open session to a closed session only:

1.  “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”;

B. For each provision checked above, the topic to be discussed and the reason for discussing that topic in closed session is provided below.

Statutory Citation	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion
§3-305(b)(14)	The presentation and discussion of the proposals submitted by firms in response to RFP #2287 for Executive Recruiter services. [NOTE: a contract has not yet been awarded].	The meeting must be closed in order to allow the firms to present their proposals fairly and for the Commission to discuss the proposals’ merits. Public discussion of this topic would adversely impact HOC’s ability to participate in future competitive bidding for executive search firms because (i) firms who presented later would be advantaged by hearing the earlier firms’ presentations, and (ii) firms would be hesitant to work with the Commission if they were required to publicly discuss their proprietary methods, which would allow other firms to undermine and/or undercut them for future work. This could result in HOC not obtaining the services of executive search firms, which could materially impact the agency’s ability to hire talented staff.

C. This statement is made by Roy Priest, Chair of the Commission.

D. Recorded vote to close the meeting:

- Date: November 22, 2021 Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: (LiveStream on YouTube)
- Motion to close meeting made by: \_\_\_\_\_
- Motion seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_
- Commissioners in favor: \_\_\_\_\_
- Commissioners opposed: \_\_\_\_\_
- Commissioners abstaining: \_\_\_\_\_
- Commissioners absent: \_\_\_\_\_

Officer’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_