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Tom -

President Curtis would like a legal opinion regarding the operation of Section 23-18.4 of the Code of Ordinances. In particular, he would like clarification on the operation of the following sentences in subsection B:

If the Board of Finance does not act upon said contract within 30 days of receipt of the contract, or the Board of Representatives within 60 days or the second regular Board of Representatives meeting following said Board's Steering Committee meeting for which said contract was submitted, whichever occurs later, the contract shall be considered to be approved by that respective Board. ...If modifications are made to the contract after approval by the Board of Finance, said modifications need not be approved by the Board of Finance, provided that the Board of Representatives approves the revised contract by a majority vote of the entire Board.

In particular, questions he would like answered are:

When does the 60 day clock for the Board of Representatives begin running?
Does it begin on the day the contract is submitted or on day of the first Steering Committee meeting for which said contract was submitted?

If the contract is modified after approval by the Board of Finance, but prior to approval by the Board of Representatives, does does the clock begin again? If so, does the clock start on the day the amended contract is submitted to the Board?

What is is the impact of approval or holding of a contract by a committee if the full Board does not act? As an example, if the Committee approves the contract but the full Board holds the contract for the following two months.

Thank you,

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