

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DRAFT COMMITTEE REPORT**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

TO: All Councilmembers

FROM: Chairman Phil Mendelson
Committee of the Whole

DATE: November 5, 2019

SUBJECT: Report on PR 23-512, “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019”

The Committee of the Whole, to which PR 23-512, “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019” was referred, reports favorably thereon with technical amendments, and recommends approval by the Council.

CONTENTS

I.	Background And Need.....	1
II.	Legislative Chronology.....	4
III.	Position Of The Executive.....	4
IV.	Comments Of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions	5
V.	Summary Of Testimony.....	5
VI.	Impact On Existing Law	5
VII.	Fiscal Impact.....	5
VIII.	Section-By-Section Analysis	5
IX.	Committee Action.....	5
X.	Attachments	6

I. BACKGROUND AND NEED

On October 18, 2019, Proposed Resolution 23-512, the “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019” was introduced by Chairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor. PR 23-512 would confirm the Mayor’s nomination of Mr. Max Brown for reappointment as a member and Chairperson of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors for a four-year term to end May 16, 2023.

Mr. Brown is a Ward 2 resident. He received his Bachelor of Arts from George Washington University and his Juris Doctor from the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Currently, Mr. Brown serves as CEO of Group 360, which is an advocacy and strategic communications firm. Previously, Mr. Brown served as Legal Counsel and Deputy Chief of Staff to Mayor Anthony Williams. In this role, he was responsible for providing the Mayor legal advice

and counsel, and managed a budget of \$4 million for multiple operating units within the District government. In addition, he served as the General Counsel for the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, where he managed a staff of attorneys, and was responsible for providing legal advice to the Chief Financial Officer on a wide variety of matters. Mr. Brown also worked as an attorney for the General Services Administration and as Legislative Counsel in the Office of United States Senator John Glenn. Further, he is a member of the bar in the District of Columbia and Ohio.

The Washington Convention and Sports Authority (Events DC) was established as an independent authority of the District government pursuant to the Washington Convention Sports Authority and Sports and Entertainment Commission Merger Amendment Act of 2009, effective March 3, 2010 (D.C. Law 18-111; D.C. Official Code § 10-1201.01 *et seq.*) (the Act). The Act merged the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission with the Washington Convention Center Authority, which was established in 2004, to create one organization to promote the District as a key sports, entertainment, and special events destination.

The mission of Events DC is two-fold: (1) generate economic and community benefits for the District by creating the premier event experience; and (2) promote Washington, D.C. as a world-class tourist destination. Events DC owns, operates, and serves as the landlord for the Walter E. Washington Convention Center (Convention Center), the Historic Carnegie Library at Mount Vernon Square (Carnegie Library), the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium (RFK) - including the RFK Festival Grounds and the Skate Park at RFK, the DC Armory, the Entertainment and Sports Arena (ESA), the Gateway DC and R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center, and Nationals Park.

Events DC is governed by the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors (Board), which is comprised of 12 members. The purpose of the Board is not only to govern Events DC, but to develop policies for the management, maintenance, and operation of the convention center and District sports and entertainment facilities.¹

Of the 12 members, three members which include the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia, the President of the Hotel of Washington, DC, and an individual designated by the Mayor serve as ex-officio voting members.² The Mayor is required to appoint nine public members, all of whom shall be District residents, to the Board with the advice and consent of the Council.³ Public members of the Board are appointed to four-year terms.⁴ Of the nine public members, one shall be from the hotel industry, one shall be from the restaurant industry, one shall be from organized labor, and the remaining six shall have proven expertise in municipal finance, business finance, economic development, construction, sports, entertainment, or tourism.⁵

¹ See D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.06.

² D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05.

³ *Id.* The Mayor also must appoint the Chairperson of the Events DC Board.

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ *Id.*

Table 1: Membership of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors (Events DC Board)

Resolution #	Position	Appointee	Term Expiring:
<i>PR 23-512</i>	<i>Proposed Mayoral Appointee (Chairperson) (Expertise in Municipal Finance)</i>	<i>Max Brown</i>	<i>May 16, 2023</i>
R.23-199	Proposed Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Business Finance)	Alan Bubes	May 16, 2023
R.22-487	Mayoral Appointee (Hotel Industry Representative)	Julio Haddock-Ortiz	May 16, 2022
R.22-485	Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Municipal Finance)	Linda Greenan	May 16, 2022
R.22-176	Mayoral Appointee (Organized Labor Representative)	John Boardman	May 16, 2021
R.22-177	Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Business Finance)	Cheryl Doggett	May 16, 2021
R.22-486	Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Economic Development and Construction)	George Simpson	May 16, 2020
R.22-74	Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Business Finance)	Denise Rolark Barnes	May 16, 2020
R.21-95	Mayoral Appointee (Expertise in Business Finance)	Miriam Huger-Lindner	May 16, 2019
	Ex-Officio Voting Member (OCFO)	Jeffrey S. Dewitt	N/A
	Ex-Officio Voting Member (President of the Hotel Association of Washington, DC)	Solomon Keene, Jr.	N/A
	Ex-Officio Voting Member (Mayoral Designee)	John Falcicchio	N/A

Mr. Brown was first appointed as Chairperson of the Board in 2015 for a term to end May 16, 2019.⁶ As Chair of the Board, Mr. Brown has helped Events DC maximize the revenue it generates for the District which in turn is used to provide critical resources for District residents.⁷ Additionally, during the past four years Mr. Brown has led the Board in its oversight of major projects completed by Events DC, which include the construction of the Entertainment Sports Arena (ESA) in Ward 8 and the construction of three new soccer and community fields on the RFK Campus.⁸

If reappointed, Mr. Brown will continue to advocate for investments in Events DC capital program to ensure that its facilities remain world class.⁹ He also will support the continuance of the agency's community grants program and will work to attract quality entertainment and sports events to the ESA.¹⁰ As Chair, he plans to work closely with the staff and Board at Events DC and with Destination DC to ensure that the District maintains its strong international presence in order to attract more meetings and conventions.¹¹ Finally, Mr. Brown wants to continue to serve

⁶ See the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2015, effective May 5, 2015 (Res. 21-94; 62 DCR 5971).

⁷ See Max Brown, Nominee, Written Responses to the Committee of the Whole's Questionnaire, Page 3, November 1, 2019. (Attached to Report).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ *Id.*

on the Board to advance tourism, economic development, hospitality, and sports in the nation's capital.¹²

The Committee believes Mr. Brown meets the requirements to serve as a member of the Board pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05(a)(3) as he has an expertise in municipal finance. Moreover, his extensive public service background and his knowledge of the District government has given him the necessary experience to continue to serve as Chair of the Board. The Committee recommends adoption of PR 23-512.

II. LEGISLATIVE CHRONOLOGY

- May 30, 2019 PR 23-350, the “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019” is introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of Mayor Bowser.
- October 18, 2019 PR 23-350 is withdrawn by Chairman Mendelson at the request of Mayor Bowser. The measure was withdrawn because the Council would not have acted on the measure before November 4, 2019. Therefore, PR 23-350 would have been deemed disapproved.
- October 18, 2019 PR 23-512, the “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019” is introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of Mayor Bowser.
- October 22, 2019 PR 23-512 is “read” at the October 22, 2019 Committee of the Whole; on this date the referral of the PR to the Committee of the Whole is official and the 90-day period for Council review begins. If this measure is not acted upon by the Council before January 29, 2020, PR 23-512 will be deemed disapproved.
- October 25, 2019 Notice of Intent to Act on PR 23-512 is published in the *District of Columbia Register*.
- November 5, 2019 The Committee of the Whole marks-up PR 23-512.

III. POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE

Mr. Max Brown is the Mayor's nomination for reappointment to the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors.

¹² *Id.* at 4.

IV. COMMENTS OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONS

The Committee received no testimony or comments from any Advisory Neighborhood Commission on PR 23-512.

V. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

There was no public testimony since the Committee did not hold a public hearing on PR 23-512. Pursuant to Council Rule 501, hearings are not required for resolutions before final adoption by the Council. The Committee received no comments in opposition to PR 23-512.

VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING LAW

Members of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors are appointed pursuant to Section 205 of the Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994, effective September 28, 1994 (D.C. Law 10-188; D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05).

VII. FISCAL IMPACT

PR 23-512 will have no fiscal impact on the District of Columbia budget or financial plan. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05(k), members of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors are not entitled to compensation.

VIII. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

<u>Section 1</u>	States the short title of Proposed Resolution 23-512.
<u>Section 2</u>	Confirms the nomination for reappointment of Max Brown as a member and Chairperson of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors for a four-year term to end May 16, 2023.
<u>Section 3</u>	Requires that a copy of the resolution, upon adoption, be transmitted to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
<u>Section 4</u>	Provides that the resolution will take effect once approved by the Council.

IX. COMMITTEE ACTION

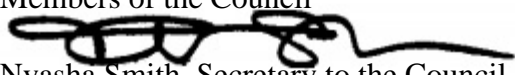
X. ATTACHMENTS

1. PR 23-512 as introduced.
2. Nominee's response to Committee questions.
3. Legal Sufficiency Determination.
4. Committee Print for PR 23-512.

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Memorandum

To : Members of the Council

From : 
Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

Date : October 21, 2019

Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Friday, October 18, 2019. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019", PR23-0512

INTRODUCED BY: Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

The Chairman is referring this legislation to the Committee of the Whole. This resolution will be deemed disapproved on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 without Council action.

Attachment

cc: General Counsel
Budget Director
Legislative Services



2019 OCT 18 AM 11:54

OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY

MURIEL BOWSER OCT 18 2019
MAYOR

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 205 of the Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994, effective September 28, 1994 (D.C. Law 10-188; D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05), I am pleased to nominate:

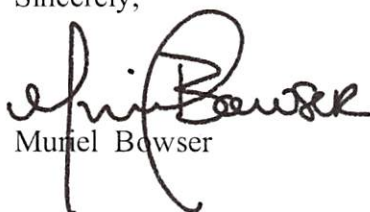
Mr. Max Brown
475 H St. NW Unit 2
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

for reappointment as a public member and Chairperson of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors, for a term to end May 16, 2023.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above nominee, together with proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,
which was referred to the Committee on _____

To confirm the reappointment of Max Brown to the Washington Convention and Sports
Authority Board of Directors.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
resolution may be cited as the “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors
Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Mr. Max Brown
475 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 2)

as a public member and Chairperson of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board
of Directors pursuant to section 205 of the Washington Convention Center Authority Act of
1994, effective September 28, 1994 (D.C. Law 10-188; D.C. Official Code § 10-1202.05), to
serve for a term to end May 16, 2023.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

MAX J. BROWN

EXPERIENCE

Group360

CEO, Washington, DC, 2001-present

- Founded and directs Group360, one of D.C.'s leading advocacy and strategic communications firms. Group360 provides advocacy and strategy services to Fortune 500 corporations and other technology, transportation, and health care companies
- Develops and implements new business ventures and strategic alliances
- Recent expansion into advisory and restructuring services in the City of Detroit, among other jurisdictions.

Carmen Group

Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Washington, DC, 2000-2001

- Responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the organization, a firm of 50 employees and revenue nearing \$9 million
- Launched the firm's Internet venture capital division
- Developed new business opportunities
- Work included developing and executing the company's strategic plan

Executive Office of the Mayor

Legal Counsel and Deputy Chief of Staff, Washington, DC, 1999-2000

- Provided legal advice and counsel to the Mayor of Washington, DC
- Responsible for managing a budget of over \$4 million and several operating units within the District government
- Charged with negotiating a new labor agreement.
- Charged with developing and implementing the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2001 budget request for the District of Columbia
- Coordinated the Mayor's Internet Task Force, which was responsible for developing and implementing the successful e-government strategy for the District of Columbia
- Served as the principal staff to the Mayor as he carried out his duties as Chair of the U.S. Conference of Mayor's Internet Task Force

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

General Counsel, Washington, DC, 1996-1998

- Provided legal advice to the CFO and department heads on a wide variety of matters including employment issues, labor disputes, debt issuance, contracts, tax issues and statutory interpretation
- Served as lead counsel for the independent CFO on the District's first debt issuance after previously nearly defaulting on its debt
- Selected and negotiated with underwriters, bond counsel and due diligence counsel.
- Managed relations with the Congress, the White House, the Financial Authority and the D.C. Council
- Managed a staff of attorneys

digital forum.net

Founder & CEO, Cleveland, OH and Washington, DC, 1995-1996

- Founded and served as CEO of digital forum.net, an Internet Service Provider and web design firm, focusing on emerging business-to-business opportunities
- Secured start-up capital
- Responsible for executing all phases of the business plan, including sales, marketing and developing strategic business relationships

General Services Administration

Political Appointee, Clinton Administration, Attorney-Advisor, Washington, DC, 1993-1995

- Worked with the White House on a variety of regulatory matters in the areas of information technology and telecommunications
- Provided advice and counsel to the Administrator
- Drafted congressional testimony

Office of United States Senator John Glenn

Legislative Counsel, Washington, DC, 1991-1993

- Conducted vetting on candidates for the federal bench and Justice Department, specifically, U.S. Attorney candidates
- Provided advice on issues including, tax, trade, technology, foreign affairs and economic development

EDUCATION

George Washington University, B.A., 1988

The Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

Juris Doctorate, 1991

Member of the Bar in Ohio and Washington, DC

Former Member of the Board of Directors of:

Washington Convention Center Authority, Chair, Sales and Marketing Committee;
Horton's Kids; and Washington Project for the Arts.

Owner of Chinatown Coffee Co, and Bravery Corp, Washington, DC



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments
John A. Wilson Building | 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 211 | Washington, DC 20004

Max J. Brown



Max J. Brown is a founding partner of Group 360, a strategic advisory firm based in Washington, DC.

Previously, Brown was Deputy Chief of Staff and Legal Counsel to District of Columbia Mayor Anthony A. Williams. In that capacity, he was responsible for managing a budget of over \$4 million and several operating units within the District government. Brown also served as General Counsel to the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), providing legal advice to the CFO and department heads on a wide variety of matters including employment issues, labor disputes, debt issuance, contracts, tax and statutory interpretation. Brown was instrumental in assisting the Chief Financial Officer exercise his authority and carry out his duties under the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority. He managed a staff of ten and managed relations with the Congress, the White House, the Financial Authority, and the D.C. Council on behalf of the CFO.

In 1995, Brown founded and was the Chief Executive Officer of digital forum.net, an Internet Service Provider and web design firm, focusing on emerging business-to-business opportunities. He secured start-up capital and was responsible for executing all phases of the business plan, including sales, marketing and developing strategic business relationships.

Recently, Brown has worked as part of several restructuring teams in the City of Detroit, assisting the City as it emerges from bankruptcy. His responsibilities included standing up a new Grants Management System to help the City manage over \$185 million in federal, state and philanthropic grants. Brown is also leading the City's Procurement Reform initiative, a key element of the City of Detroit's Plan of Adjustment.

Following graduation from law school, Brown served as legislative counsel to Sen. John Glenn on issues including appointments to the federal judiciary, tax, trade, technology, foreign affairs and economic development.

Brown is a member of the bar in the District of Columbia and Ohio.

A Ward 2 resident, Mr. Brown received his B.A. from The George Washington University (1987) and a J.D. from the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (1991).



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: April 21, 2019
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Max Brown and Alan Bubes as public members to the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E'.

Elizabeth Cavendish



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

Phil Mendelson
Chairman

Office: (202) 724-8032
Fax: (202) 724-8085

November 1, 2019

Mr. Max Brown
475 H St., NW
Unit 2
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Brown,

Congratulations on being nominated for reappointment to the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors (Board). It is standard practice for the Council to submit questions to nominees. I request your response to the following questions no later than 5:00pm on Monday, November 4, 2019.

1. Please provide a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement you filed with the Office of Campaign Finance or the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability. If you have not filed a Financial Disclosure Statement, please provide answers to questions 2-8 in lieu of that statement.
2. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business with the District Government in which you have a beneficial interest valued in excess of \$5,000, including publicly traded stock.
3. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business (including consulting) with the District Government from which you or your immediate family have received (or are receiving) income for services rendered in excess of \$1,000 during the past two years.
4. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting business with the District Government in which you or any member of your immediate family serves as an officer, director, partner, or agent. Also list the position(s) held, a brief description of the entity, and any other pertinent details.
5. Please provide the name of any lender and the amount of liability for each outstanding liability borrowed by you or any member of your immediate family in excess of \$5,000. Do not include loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution, or from any business enterprise regularly engaged in the business of providing revolving credit or installment accounts.
6. Please list the location of all real property located in the District of Columbia in which you have an interest with a fair market value in excess of \$5,000.
7. Please list all professional and occupational licenses held by you.
8. Please list any professional organizations of which you are currently a member.
9. Please list all boards and commissions connected with the District government on which you are or have been a member, and include the term of service for each.

10. Please list any other boards (e.g. Boards of Directors of a non-profit) on which you are a member.
11. Do you have any outstanding liability for taxes, fees, or other payments to the District, federal, or other state or local governments, either contested or uncontested? If so, please provide documentation of attempts to pay the amount owed or to resolve the disputed claim.
12. Do you or any member of your immediate family have any interest, financial or otherwise, that may directly or indirectly pose a conflict of interest for you in performance of your duties as a Chairperson of the Board?
13. Do you have any pending legal matters such as investigations or complaints, that concern you?
14. Please describe any local political activity (i.e. the District of Columbia local elections or campaigns) that you have engaged in over the past five years, and itemize any campaign contributions to a *local* candidate or political action committee.
15. Why have you agreed to serve another term, as Chairperson, and how do you plan to continue to help the Board fulfill its role and mission during your time on the Board?
16. Given that you are being reappointed as Chairperson to the Board, what challenges do you believe the Board has experienced since your time on the Board, and how do you believe these challenges should be addressed moving forward?
17. Please discuss any past and present experiences not already mentioned that you believe are relevant to support your reappointment as Chairperson of the Board?

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or Peter Johnson on my staff at (202) 724-8083.

Sincerely,



Phil Mendelson

enc.

PM/pj

Questionnaire Response to Committee of the Whole
Questions for Max Brown, Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors,
Chairman

November 2, 2019
Submitted by Max Brown

Congratulations on being nominated for reappointment to the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors (Board). It is standard practice for the Council to submit questions to nominees. I request your response to the following questions no later than 5:00pm on Monday, November 4, 2019.

1. Please provide a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement you filed with the Office of Campaign Finance or the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability. If you have not filed a Financial Disclosure Statement, please provide answers to questions 2-8 in lieu of that statement.

(attached)

2. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business with the District Government in which you have a beneficial interest valued in excess of \$5,000, including publicly traded stock.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

3. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business (including consulting) with the District Government from which you or your immediate family have received (or are receiving) income for services rendered in excess of \$1,000 during the past two years.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

4. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting business with the District Government in which you or any member of your immediate family serves as an officer, director, partner, or agent. Also list the position(s) held, a brief description of the entity, and any other pertinent details.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

5. Please provide the name of any lender and the amount of liability for each outstanding liability borrowed by you or any member of your immediate family in excess of \$5,000. Do not include loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution, or from any business enterprise regularly engaged in the business of providing revolving credit or installment accounts.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

6. Please list the location of all real property located in the District of Columbia in which you have an interest with a fair market value in excess of \$5,000.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

7. Please list all professional and occupational licenses held by you.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

8. Please list any professional organizations of which you are currently a member.

Answer: N/A, see attached Financial Disclosure Statement.

9. Please list all boards and commissions connected with the District government on which you are or have been a member and include the term of service for each.

Answer: Events DC, 2015-present; 2002-2005 (estimated dates—will confirm for the record)

10. Please list any other boards (e.g. Boards of Directors of a non-profit) on which you are a member.

Answer: None

11. Do you have any outstanding liability for taxes, fees, or other payments to the District, federal, or other state or local governments, either contested or uncontested? If so, please provide documentation of attempts to pay the amount owed or to resolve the disputed claim.

Answer: No

12. Do you or any member of your immediate family have any interest, financial or otherwise, that may directly or indirectly pose a conflict of interest for you in performance of your duties as a Chairperson of the Board?

Answer: No

13. Do you have any pending legal matters such as investigations or complaints, that concern you?

Answer: No

14. Please describe any local political activity (i.e. the District of Columbia local elections or campaigns) that you have engaged in over the past five years and itemize any campaign contributions to a *local* candidate or political action committee.

Answer: Brandon Todd for Council, \$500.00, 2019
Brianna Nadeau for Council, \$500.00, 2017
Cheh for Council, \$500.00, 2016 (estimated date)
Bonds for Council, \$500.00, 2016 (estimated date)
Bowser for Mayor, \$2000.00, 2017 (estimated date)
Robert White for Council, \$1000.00, 2016 (estimated date)
Mendelson for Council, \$1063.66, 2014 (estimated date)
Mendelson for Council, \$436.34 in kind 2014 (estimated date)
DC Proud Inaugural Committee, \$2000, 2014 (estimated date)
DC Proud, \$1000.00, 2018
Kenyan McDuffie for Council, \$500.00, 2017 (estimated date)
Dionne Reeder for Council, \$1000.00, 2018 (estimated Date)

NOTE: This may not be a complete list as I am still researching my records for any other contributions I may have made. I will supplement the record with any further contribution information that is discovered.

15. Why have you agreed to serve another term, as Chairperson, and how do you plan to continue to help the Board fulfill its role and mission during your time on the Board?

Answer: I care deeply about the District. Having moved here in 1985, it is my home.

I worked to help with the District's financial turnaround in the mid 1990s and, ever since, have been an active participant in advancing the city. Our work at EventsDC is vitally important to the economic health of our city- the tax revenue we derive from our Convention Center, hotels, and restaurants help provide critical resources to our residents-resources such as public education, health care, and public safety. I have been honored to serve and will, if given the opportunity to continue in this role, continue to invest my time and commitment in making sure we do our best to succeed.

As we move forward in the next four years, we as a board need to: continue to invest in our capital program to ensure that our Convention Center (and other assets) remain world class; that we continue to invest in our community grants program so that our community benefits from the work we are doing; that we work to book quality sports and entertainment at our new arena in Ward 8; and that we maintain our status as a leading convention and entertainment destination, all while maintaining our fiscal discipline.

While an unpaid volunteer, I have taken my job as chairman as seriously as any job I have had that was remunerative. I will continue to collaborate with our partners; our stakeholders at the Council; in the Executive; and in the hospitality and tourism industry. The collaboration over the last four years is the main reason for the success we've had: Whether it was filling out the vacant retail space as the convention center; repositioning the historic Carnegie Library with a new flagship Apple store and updated space for the Historical Society of Washington, DC; building a new arena in Ward 8 that houses the Champion Washington Mystics and a training facility for the Washington Wizards, where 600 construction jobs and 300 permanent jobs were created; building three new soccer/community fields at the vacant parking lot C of RFK Campus where children from across the District can play; an updated and enhanced Convention Center Lobby and common space to meet the needs of our customers; and awarding over \$500,000 to over 150 community groups over four years to enable them to continue to do the important work they do every day in the community, and serving hundreds of thousands of convention center customers who generated over \$415 million dollars in economic activity in the District last year; or finally, maintaining our strong financial position that is the envy of other convention center authorities, in the country - we are ready for the challenges that lie ahead.

16. Given that you are being reappointed as Chairperson to the Board, what challenges do you believe the Board has experienced since your time on the Board, and how do you believe these challenges should be addressed moving forward?

Answer: We are fortunate to have a first-rate staff and Board that helps us meet our obligations on a daily basis. We continue to monitor the Convention Center business closely, and in particular, some of the international meetings that have decided against coming to the US due to travel restrictions and the overall political environment. We are engaging our colleagues in the affected international markets to ensure that we remain a leading destination for their conventions. Moreover, we work closely with our partners at Destination DC to make sure our international presence and focus remains strong.

17. Please discuss any past and present experiences not already mentioned that you believe are relevant to support your reappointment as Chairperson of the Board?

Answer: My past experience working in the District government as legal counsel to the mayor and general counsel to the CFO, has given me important background and knowledge about how the District operates. This knowledge has helped me guide the board and staff, and has been invaluable as we advance tourism, economic development, hospitality, and sports in the nation's capital.

FDS Filing Details for 2018

Name: Max Brown

Date of Appointment or Employment: 5/10/2016

Final Date of Service:

Position: Board Member, Chairperson

Agency: Washington Convention & Sports Authority

Position Held with the District Government During the Prior calendar year (If Not The Same As Above)

Position:

Final Date in Position:

Agency:

Non District Employment/Business

1) Did you have any non-District employment or engage in any outside business during the previous calendar year for which you received compensation of \$200 or more?

Position / Title	Name of Employer	Description of Work	Start Date	End Date	Income Received from Outside Business	Client Name
CEO	Group360 LLC	Strategy and Advocacy Firm	08/1/2001		\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	Csx, ESA, CTA, Conduent, Lyft, Medstar, Filld, MTM, CoreCivic, Mylan, Wash Gas, PCG
Partner	Chinatown Coffee Co.	Coffee Shop	07/20/2009		\$100,001 - \$250,000	

2) Was your spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) employed by a private entity or did they engage in any business endeavors during the previous calendar year for which they received compensation of \$200 or more?

No

3) Did you serve in any unpaid position (without compensation) as an officer, director, partner, consultant, contractor, volunteer, member or any other fiduciary capacity of a non-government board or other outside entity during the previous calendar year?

No

4) Did your spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) serve in any unpaid position (without compensation) as an officer, director, partner, consultant, contractor, volunteer, member or any other fiduciary capacity of a non-government board or other outside entity during the previous calendar year?

No

5) During the previous calendar year, did you have any agreements with a former or current employer, other than with the District of Columbia, for future payments or benefits (such as separation pay, partnership buyouts, or pension or retirement pay) or for future employment or for a leave of absence?

No

6) During the previous calendar year, did your spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) have any agreements with a former or current employer, other than with the District of Columbia, for future payments or benefits (such as separation pay,

partnership buyouts, or pension or retirement pay) or for future employment or for a leave of absence?

No

Securities, Holdings and Investments

7) Did you have a beneficial interest in or hold any security ("security" means stocks (any class), bonds (including savings bonds and tax exempt bonds), stock options, warrants, debentures, obligations, notes (not mortgage notes), mortgages (not on one's home), investment interests in limited partnerships, REITs, and such other evidences of indebtedness and certificates of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement as are usually referred to as securities) at the close of the previous calendar year that exceeded in the aggregate \$1,000 or that produced income of \$200 or more?

List each security and/or beneficial interest you held below	Total Value of Beneficial Interests or Securities at the close of previous calendar year.
APPLE	\$50,001 - \$100,000
AMAZON	\$50,001 - \$100,000
ROKU	\$50,001 - \$100,000
PAYPAL	\$15,001 - \$50,000
CRM	\$15,001 - \$50,000
TESLA	\$15,001 - \$50,000
SBUX	\$1,001 - \$15,000
EQR	\$1,001 - \$15,000
BX	\$1,001 - \$15,000
KO	\$1,001 - \$15,000
UAA	\$1,001 - \$15,000
HD	\$1,001 - \$15,000
MO	\$1,001 - \$15,000
KMI	\$1,001 - \$15,000
OLED	\$1,001 - \$15,000
SMG	\$1,001 - \$15,000
NVDA	\$1,001 - \$15,000
PSX	\$1,001 - \$15,000
COF	\$1,001 - \$15,000
REGN	\$1,001 - \$15,000
MLLFF	\$1,001 - \$15,000
TTWO	\$1,001 - \$15,000
FCX	\$1,001 - \$15,000
GIS	\$1,001 - \$15,000
PM	\$1,001 - \$15,000
BABA	\$1,001 - \$15,000
FB	\$1,001 - \$15,000
ADBE	\$1,001 - \$15,000
NFLX	\$0 - \$1,000
Sannpa, LTD.	\$15,001 - \$50,000

8) Did your spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) have a beneficial interest or hold any security ("security" means stocks (any class), bonds (including savings bonds and tax exempt bonds), stock options, warrants, debentures, obligations, notes (not mortgage notes), mortgages (not on one's home), investment interests in limited partnerships, REITs, and such other evidences of indebtedness and certificates of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement as are usually referred to as securities) at the close of the previous calendar year that exceeded in the aggregate \$1,000 or that produced income of \$200 or more?

No

9) Did you owe any entity or person (other than a member of your immediate family) \$1,000 or more, (excluding: mortgages on your personal residence, student loans, automobile loans, credit card accounts or other revolving credit, and other loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution), during the previous calendar year?

No

10) Did your spouse, domestic partner or dependent child(ren) owe any entity or person (other than a member of their immediate family) \$1,000 or more, (excluding: mortgages on personal residences, student loans, automobile loans, credit card accounts or other revolving credit, and other loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution), during the previous calendar year?

No

11) Did you have an interest in any real property located in the District during the previous calendar year, aside from personal residences occupied by you, your spouse or your domestic partner, where your interest had a fair market value of more than \$1,000, or where the property produced income of \$200 or more?

Location of Real Property	Purchase or Acquisition Date	Date Sold or Conveyed	Value of Ownership Interest in Real Estate
475 H ST NW UNIT 1	07/01/2008		\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

12) Did your spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) have an interest in any real property located in the District during the previous calendar year, aside from personal residences occupied by you, your spouse or your domestic partner, where their interest had a fair market value of more than \$1,000, or where the property produced income of \$200 or more?

No

Regulated Professions

13) Do you hold any professional or occupational licenses issued by the District of Columbia government (i.e., are you licensed to practice law in the District of Columbia, or are you licensed by the District's Department of Health, the District's Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, the District's Department of Mental Health, the District's Department of Insurance Securities and Banking, the Metropolitan Police Department, the District's Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration, etc.)?

Type of License Issued	Issuing Entity
LAW	DC Bar

14) Does your spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) hold any professional or occupational licenses issued by the District of Columbia government (i.e., are they licensed to practice law in the District of Columbia, or are they licensed by the District's Department of Health, the District's Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, the District's Department of Mental Health, the District's Department of Insurance Securities and Banking, the Metropolitan Police Department, or the District's Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration, etc.)?

No

Gifts

15) Did you receive any gift(s) (Gift is defined as a payment, subscription, advance, forbearance, rendering, or deposit of money, services, or anything of value, unless consideration of equal or greater value is received) from any person that has or is seeking to do business with the District, conducts operations or activities that are regulated by the District, or has an interest that may be favorably affected by the performance or nonperformance of your duties in the total amount or with a total value of \$100 or more during the previous calendar year?

No

Additional Comments

Supporting Documents

I certify that I have:

- Not caused title to property to be placed in another person or entity for the purpose of avoiding the disclosure requirements on the preceding form;
- Filed and paid my income and property taxes;
- Diligently safeguarded the assets of the taxpayers and the District;
- Reported known illegal activity, including attempted bribes, to the appropriate authorities;
- Not been offered or accepted any bribes;
- Not directly or indirectly received government funds through illegal or improper means;
- Not raised or received funds in violation of federal or District law; and
- Not received or been given anything of value, including a gift, favor, service, loan gratuity, discount, hospitality, political contribution, or promise of future employment, based on any understanding that my official actions or judgment or vote would be influenced.

Additional Comments

1 **DRAFT COMMITTEE PRINT**
2 Committee of the Whole
3 November 5, 2019
4
5
6

7 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

8
9 PR 23-512
10
11

12 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
13
14

15 To confirm the reappointment of Mr. Max Brown as a public member and Chairperson of the
16 Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors.
17

18 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
19 resolution may be cited as the “Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board of Directors
20 Max Brown Confirmation Resolution of 2019”.

21 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:
22

23 Mr. Max Brown
24 475 H Street, NW
25 Washington, DC 20001
26 (Ward 2)
27

28 as a public member and Chairperson of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority Board
29 of Directors, which was established by section 205 of the Washington Convention Center
30 Authority Act of 1994, effective September 28, 1994 (D.C. Law 10-188; D.C. Official Code § 10-
31 1202.05), for a term to end on May 16, 2023.

32 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
33 upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

34 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.