### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

Case No. 84345 and Case No. 84640

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CITY OF LAS VEGAS, a political subdivision of the State of Normal Supreme Court

## Appellant

v.

180 LAND CO, LLC, a Nevada limited-liability company, FORE STARS LTD., a Nevada limited liability company,

# Respondents

District Court Case No.: A-17-758528-J Eighth Judicial District Court of Nevada

# ATTORNEY'S CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORT OF MOTION REQUESTING RECUSAL OF THE HONORABLE JUSTICE PATRICIA LEE

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# VERIFICATION AND ATTORNEY'S CERTIFICATE BY DEBBIE LEONARD IN SUPPORT OF CITY OF LAS VEGAS' MOTION REQUESTING RECUSAL OF THE HONORABLE JUSTICE PATRICIA LEE

- I, Debbie Leonard, do hereby swear under penalty of perjury that the assertions in this declaration are true and correct.
- 1. I am over the age of eighteen (18) years. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated within this verification and attorney's certificate ("Certificate"). If called as a witness, I would be competent to testify to these facts.
- 2. I am the owner of Leonard Law, PC and counsel of record for Appellant City of Las Vegas ("the City"). I am an active member of the State Bar of Nevada.
- 3. I offer this Certificate in support of the City's Motion Requesting Recusal of the Honorable Justice Patricia Lee ("the Motion").
- 4. All assertions of fact in the Motion are true to the best of my knowledge and are supported by citations to the locations in the joint appendix that show that the law firm of Hutchison & Steffen when Justice Lee was a partner represented Respondents 180 LAND CO, LLC, and FORE STARS LTD. (collectively, "the Developer") in the dispute that is at issue in this appeal. Hutchison & Steffen appeared as lawyers for the Developer before the City Council, the district court and this Court.

5. The City first became aware that Justice Lee planned to participate

with the en banc Court in hearing this appeal when the Court issued its Oral

Argument Reminder Notice on December 20, 2023.

6. I have read the Motion and supporting documents. With this

Certificate, I believe that the Motion and supporting documents substantially

conform to the requirements of NRAP 35. Based on personal investigation, I

believe all grounds asserted to be legally valid and all supporting factual

allegations to be true, and that the Motion is made in good faith and not for

purposes of delay or for other improper motive.

7. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of

Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of Leonard Law, PC, and that on this date a copy of the foregoing document was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court for the Nevada Supreme Court on today's date by using the Nevada Supreme Court's E-Filing system (e-Flex). Participants in the case who are registered with e-Flex as users will be served by the e-Flex system. All others will be served by U.S. mail.

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