



## **ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, January 12, 2011**

The Ethics Review Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 1029 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Henson called the Commission meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Chair Jim Henson, Vice Chair Lisa Tsai, Velva Price, Susan Morrison, James Sassin, and Abu Hafiz.

There were no speakers for agenda item 1 (Citizen Communication).

Regarding agenda item 2, Price made a motion, seconded by Morrison, to approve the April 13, 2010 Minutes, motion passed 4-0-2 (Tsai and Hafiz abstaining due to absence); Tsai made a motion, seconded by Price, to approve the August 24, 2010 Minutes, motion passed 5-0-1 with correction to time (Hafiz abstaining due to absence); and Tsai made a motion, seconded by Hafiz, to approve the October 12, 2010 Minutes, motion passed 5-0-1 (Morrison abstaining due to absence).

The Ethics Review Commission announced it was going into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Private Consultation with Attorney-Section 551.071) to receive advice from legal counsel on item 3.C. (Discussion on possible recommendations to council regarding Chapter 2-7, discussion and possible action on Chapter 2-7 recusal requirements and their application to City Council's Brackenridge Tract discussion).

The Ethics Review Commission returned from closed session. After hearing from members of the public, the Commission took no action on Item 3.C.

The Ethics Review Commission took up item 3.B. (Approve revised Bylaws per City Ordinance 20101209-003). The Commission requested a redline of the changes. No action was taken.

The Ethics Review Commission took up item 3.A. (Review Filing Statement Exemption form per City Code Section 2-2-26). Motion by Price, seconded by Morrison, with amendments. Motion carried 6-0.

The Ethics Review Commission discussed item 4 (Planning for Candidate Forum). No action was taken.

Chair Henson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.