



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION**

JULY 29, 2014

6:00 PM

**One Texas Center, Room 325
505 Barton Springs Road, Austin, Texas**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

The Commission may discuss and take action on the following agenda items:

- 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL** (3 minutes to speak)
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 4, 2013, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING; THE JANUARY 29, 2014, REGULAR MEETING; THE MARCH 26, 2014, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING; AND THE APRIL 29, 2014, REGULAR MEETING**

3. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. 2014 City Council election candidate forum planning, including reports from working group and from staff (McCormick, Price, Kaplan, & Staff)
- b. City public statements of financial information, including reports from two working groups on: possible forms revision, possible recommendations for City Code revision, and update on proposed plan for possible Commission review of forms (Kaplan, Einhorn, Speight, Sassin, & Staff)
- c. Possible action by the Ethics Review Commission to file a complaint on its own initiative against former Zero Waste Advisory Commission member Daniela Ochoa Gonzalez (Kaplan)
- d. Adoption of Ethics Review Commission complaint and hearing procedures and rules, including possible revision of ethics complaint form and report from working group (Price, Ruiz, & Sassin)
- e. Adoption of Ethics Review Commission bylaws, including reports from working group and from staff (Kaplan & Staff)

4. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. Staff briefing on City Auditor's Integrity Unit complaint and investigation procedures and reports, including Auditor's "Report on Allegations Involving a Zero Waste Commissioner" regarding Daniela Ochoa Gonzalez (Staff)

- b. Staff briefing on ethics training, including conflicts of interest training, provided by City staff to City board members (Staff)
- c. Zero Waste Advisory Commission (ZWAC) Recommendation No. 20140611-003h (“ZWAC Response to City Auditor Integrity Unit Report”) regarding City Auditor conflict of interest investigation of Daniela Ochoa Gonzalez (Kaplan)
- d. Possible action by the Ethics Review Commission to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding ethics complaint jurisdiction and City Code, Chapter 2-7 (Kaplan)
- e. Board and Commission Transition Taskforce related issues, including City Clerk survey and request for current board members to continue serving until June 30, 2015
- f. Resignation of Ethics Review Commission Vice Chair Velva Price

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The Ethics Review Commission may announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from legal counsel on matters specifically listed on this agenda (Private Consultation with Attorney-Section 551.071). The commission may not conduct a closed meeting without the prior approval of the city attorney.

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