



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 28, 2014  
6:00 PM  
City Hall, Room 2005 & Room 2017  
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas**

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**1. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a. The Commission may go into executive session to discuss legal issues related to a complaint filed on September 10, 2014, by Steve Speir against Robert Thomas alleging violation of City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance) (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- b. The Commission may go into executive session to discuss legal issues related to a complaint filed on September 17, 2014, by Earl L. Jones III against Mackenzie Kelly alleging violation of City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance) (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- c. The Commission may go into executive session to discuss legal issues related to a complaint filed on October 1, 2014, by Mary Rudig against Becky Bray alleging violations of Article III, Section 8 of the City Charter and City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance) (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. The Commission will convene a preliminary hearing under Section 2-7-44 of the City Code to consider a complaint filed on September 10, 2014, by Steve Speir against Robert Thomas alleging violation of City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance).
- b. The Commission will convene a preliminary hearing under Section 2-7-44 of the City Code to consider a complaint filed on September 17, 2014, by Earl L.

Jones III against Mackenzie Kelly alleging violation of City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance).

- c. The Commission will convene a preliminary hearing under Section 2-7-44 of the City Code to consider a complaint filed on October 1, 2014, by Mary Rudig against Becky Bray alleging violations of Article III, Section 8 of the City Charter and City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance).
- d. Request from Texas Disposal Systems to pass resolution regarding jurisdiction of the Ethics Review Commission and invalidating actions of the City Auditor (Kaplan).
- e. Ethics Review Commission officer elections (Kaplan, Staff).
- f. Setting Ethics Review Commission regular meeting schedule for 2015 (Kaplan, Staff).

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. The powers, duties, and functions of the Commission and the City Auditor, including City Council Resolutions No. 20141016-024 and No. 20141016-033 and report and possible recommendation from working group (Kaplan, Einhorn, Sassin, and Staff).
- b. Update regarding Commission candidate forums from working group and staff (McCormick, Staff).
- c. Report from statements of financial information working group tasked with possible City Code and form revisions (Kaplan, Einhorn).

#### **5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL (3 minutes to speak)**

#### **6. 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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