

Ethics Review Commission's Jurisdiction

1. § 2-7-26 – Commission's Jurisdiction:

The Ethics Review Commission has jurisdiction over this chapter, [Section 2-1-24](#) (*Conflict of Interest and Recusal*), [Chapter 2-2](#) (*Campaign Finance*), [Chapter 4-8](#) (*Regulation of Lobbyists*), and Article III, Section 8, of the City Charter (*Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures*). The commission shall hear and rule on sworn complaints alleging violations of the provisions within the commission's jurisdiction. The city manager shall provide funding for all necessary and reasonable functions of the commission in fulfilling its duties.

2. § 2-1-24 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND RECUSAL [Referenced in 2-7-26].

(A) This section is cumulative of [Chapter 2-7](#) (*Ethics And Financial Disclosure*) and Local Government Code Chapter 171 (*Regulation Of Conflicts Of Interest Of Officers Of Municipalities, Counties, And Certain Other Local Governments*). Under this section a board member has a conflict of interest if the City Code or another law prohibits the board member from taking action on a vote or decision before the board.

(B) At each meeting, a board member shall sign an attendance sheet and shall indicate:

- (1) that the board member has no conflict of interest related to any item on the agenda; or
- (2) the number of an agenda item for which the board member has a conflict of interest.

(C) At each meeting of a committee to which a board member is appointed, a committee member shall sign in on a sheet provided and shall indicate:

- (1) that the committee member has no conflict of interest related to any item on the committee meeting agenda; or
- (2) the number of an agenda item for which the committee member has a conflict of interest.

(D) Failure by a member to comply with Subsection (B) will result in that member being counted as absent from the board meeting; such an absence is an unexcused absence. Any vote or votes cast by a member who fails to comply with Subsections (B) or (C) will not be counted at the board or committee meeting at issue.

(E) [Chapter 2-7](#), Article 3 (*Violation: Complaint And Hearing Procedures*) applies to this section, and a sworn complaint alleging a violation may be filed under the procedures of that article. If the Ethics Review Commission determines that a violation of this section has occurred, it shall follow the procedure required by [Section 2-7-47](#) (*Prosecution*).

3. § 2-1-21. Lobbyists Can't Serve on City Boards [not referenced in 2-7-26]

(C) A person who is registered or is required to register as a lobbyist under [Chapter 4-8](#) (*Regulation of Lobbyists*) or who is employed by a person registered or required to register under that chapter is not eligible to serve on a board until the expiration of three years after the date that the person ceases to be registered, required to be registered, or employed by a person registered or required to register.