



ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION NO. 20160210-02A

Date: February 10, 2016

Subject: Proposed Amendments to City Code Chapter 2-2

Motioned By: Commission Member Stratmann

Seconded By: Commission Member Thompson

Recommendation

The Ethics Review Commission supports the recommendations of the Office of the City Clerk relating to proposed amendments to City Code, Sections 2-2-32(C), 2-2-27(A)(1) and (A)(2), and 2-2-42(C).

Further, the Ethics Review Commission recommends amendments to the following sections of City Code:

- Section 2-2-42(C) (corresponding to form ATX 3) – remove requirements to report loans, campaign debts, and debts, as this information will be captured in Texas Ethics Commission (“TEC”) Schedule E.
- Section 2-2-25(A)(5) (corresponding to form ATX 4) – remove requirement to list “all deposits and withdrawals not disclosed on a filed contribution and expenditure report,” as this information will be captured in TEC Schedule F2 and K.
- Section 2-2-25(A)(2) (corresponding to form ATX 4) – remove requirement to list checks issued that have not yet cleared, as cleared expenditures will be reported on future TEC schedules.
- Section 2-2-25(B) (corresponding to form ATX 4) – remove requirement to list contributions received but not yet “accepted,” as accepted contributions will be reported on future TEC schedules. [Rejected contributions or checks are already documented on form ATX 4 per 2-2-25(A)(3).]

Finally, the Ethics Review Commission recommends aligning City Code, Section 2-2-29(A) and (D) with state law daily filing requirements.

Vote: 10-0

For: Chair Einhorn, Vice Chair Lamon, and Commission Members Harding, McCormick, Ohueri, Quinzi, Smith, Speight, Stratmann, and Thompson.

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commission Member Kaplan

Attest:

Cynthia Tom, Commission Executive Liaison