



ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR CALLED MEETING Wednesday, March 9th, 2016

The Ethics Review Commission (“Commission”) convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Room 1027, in Austin, Texas.

Commission Chair Peter Einhorn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commission members in attendance: Peter Einhorn, Meagan Harding, Matthew Lamon, Donna Beth McCormick, J. Michael Ohueri, Paul Quinzi, Kenneth Smith, Dennis Speight, and Robert “Ben” Stratmann.

City Staff in Attendance: Assistant City Attorney Cynthia Tom and Staff Liaison Jessica Aranda.

Item No. 1: There were no speakers for general citizen communication.

Items No. 2: Commission Member Speight made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2015 special called Commission meeting and the January 23, 2016 regular Commission meeting, which was seconded by Commission Member Quinzi. The motion passed on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Kaplan and Thompson absent. Commission Members Ohueri and Stratmann not yet present when minutes were approved.

Item No. 3: Assistant City Attorney Tom briefed the Commission regarding proposed amendments to Chapter 2-2 of City Code (Campaign Finance) and to associated City campaign finance forms. The Commission discussed the proposed changes and the Commission working group’s role regarding forms revisions.

Commission Member Stratmann present at 6:04 p.m.

Item No. 4: Assistant City Attorney Tom briefed the Commission regarding the 2016 City Council election candidate forum planning process.

Commission Member Ohueri present at 6:08 p.m.

Item No. 5: The Commission discussed future agenda items to include: updates on amendments to Chapter 2-2 of City Code, 2016 City Council election candidate forum planning, and the scheduled preliminary hearing on the ethics complaint filed against Council Member Sabino “Pio” Renteria.

Commission Member Speight made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commission Member Harding. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.