

REGULAR CALLED MEETING of the ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS ROOM, #1101 301 W 2ND STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Some members of the Ethics Review Commission may be participating by videoconference.

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Public Speakers: Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak once, either in-person or remotely, and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. If participating remotely by telephone, a speaker must register no later than noon the day before the meeting. To register to speak remotely, contact Lizette Benitez at (512) 974-2915 or lizette.benitez@austintexas.gov.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Chair Luis Soberon Vice-Chair Mary Kahle Secretary Nguyen Stanton-Adams
Amy Casto Haksoon Andrea Low William Ross Pumfrey
Michael Lovins Alysa Nuñez Vacancy – District 2
Sidney Williams Edward Espinoza

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There is no limit on the number of speakers who may speak on agenda items. There is a limit on the number of speakers who may speak on items not posted on the agenda—only the first ten speakers who register prior to the meeting being called to order will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address non-agenda items. For more information on public communication, please see the "Notice Regarding Public Communication" at the end of this agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The Ethics Review Commission may announce it will go into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to receive advice from legal counsel on any matter listed in this agenda. The Commission may go into Executive Session to discuss:

A complaint filed by Scott Cobb against Nina Rinaldi, raising claimed violations of City Code Chapter 2-1 (City Boards), Section 2-1-24 (Conflict of Interest and Recusal).

PRELIMINARY HEARING

2. A complaint filed by Scott Cobb against Nina Rinaldi, raising claimed violations of City Code Chapter 2-1 (City Boards), Section 2-1-24 (Conflict of Interest and Recusal).

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Consideration, discussion, and potential action regarding:

3. Adopt the regular meeting calendar for 2024.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. Approve the minutes of the Ethics Review Commission Regular Meeting on August 23, 2023.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Meeting locations are planned with wheelchair access. If requiring Sign Language Interpreters or alternative formats, please give notice at least 2 days (48 hours) before the meeting date. Please call Lizette Benitez, Wajiha Rizvi, or Victoria Hayslett at the Law Department, at (512) 974-2268 for additional information; TTY users' route through Relay Texas at 711.

For more information on the Ethics Review Commission, please contact Wajiha Rizvi at (512) 974-2171. For the 2023 meeting schedule, agendas, and additional information about the Commission, see: Ethics Review Commission | AustinTexas.gov

ERC STANDARD PUBLIC COMMUNICATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTICE Regarding Public Communication

<u>Sign-in required</u>: If appearing in person at the meeting, please sign in to speak with the staff liaison prior to the meeting being called to order. Please indicate the item or items on the agenda on which you are speaking if you are speaking on an agenda item. A speaker who fails to indicate an agenda item on which the speaker desires to speak will be called to speak during **Public Communication**.

<u>Time Limits</u>: Speakers are limited to a maximum time limit of three minutes per speaker. A time period of six minutes will be allowed for a speaker who addresses the Commission through a translator or a speaker who needs an accommodation for a disability.

<u>Public Communication Speakers</u>: A maximum of ten people may speak during Public Communication, at the beginning of the meeting on any topic, which are non-agenda items. Speakers will be called in the order in which the speaker signed up.

<u>Public Communication or Public Testimony on a Numbered Agenda Item</u>: A speaker who signs up to speak on a numbered agenda item will be called to speak at the beginning of the meeting, or secondly, at the beginning of the agenda item and will be called in the order in which the speaker(s) signed up. Speaker comments must be relevant to the agenda item.