

## Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes Via Zoom Conference 4:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Johnston, Chair, at 4:07 p.m. The following people attended:

Commission Members – William D. Johnston (Chair), Faith Meisinger-Petit (Vice Chair), William S. Montgomery, and Theophilus R. Nix, Jr. A quorum was established.

Members not in attendance - Katherine Klocko, Melvin Phillip, and Charles Toliver, IV.

City Solicitor's Office - Javette Lane.

Ethics Commission Counsel - William Larson.

Members of the public - None.

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the July 13, 2021, meeting. It was properly moved by Mr. Montgomery and seconded by Ms. Meisinger-Petit to approve the minutes with a correction to the date, as well as a change from the wording "pending legislation," to "proposed legislation." Motion passed unanimously.

2021 Financial Disclosure Update – Ms. Lane and Ms. Scatasti from the City Solicitor's office continue to work with others within the City to attempt to obtain all outstanding forms from various boards and commissions members.

Discussion of Potential Legislation Related to Training and Ethics Code Updates – A letter requesting support of the legislation went to all members of Council. A final copy of the legislation will go to committee in September.

Communications - None.

Committees- None.

Unfinished Business - None.

Miscellaneous Business – The Commission discussed virtual vs. in-person options for future meetings. Because of constraints imposed by the current pandemic, it was decided that Ethics Commission meetings will continue in a virtual format for the near future. The Commission will continue to revisit allowable options for future meetings.

The next meeting of the Ethics Commission will be Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 4 p.m., Louis L. Redding City/County Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Atrium Conference Room or via Zoom Teleconference. The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 4:31 p.m.

Javette Lane