

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

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Johnston, Chair, at 4:13 p.m. The following people attended:

Commission Members – William D. Johnston (Chair), Katherine Klocko, William S. Montgomery, and Charles Toliver, IV. A quorum was established.

Members not in attendance – Faith Meisinger-Petit (Vice Chair), Theophilus R. Nix, Jr., and Melvin Phillips.

City Solicitor's Office - Javette Lane.

Ethics Commission Counsel – William Larson.

Members of the public – None.

The minutes of the April 13, 2021, Commission meeting were reviewed. It was properly moved by Mr. Toliver and seconded by Mr. Montgomery to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

2021 Financial Disclosure Update – All elected officials have submitted their disclosure forms. Approximately 4 forms from appointed officials remain outstanding, with 12 forms from members of various boards and commissions also outstanding. If needed, Ms. Lane will set up a table in the lobby in the next couple of weeks for notarization of outstanding forms.

Update to Ethics Training for Executive Branch – The Commission will provide additional training via Zoom for other members of the executive branch and any other appointed officials still wishing to take part in the training session.

Discussion of Potential Legislation Related to Training and Ethics Code Updates – Mr. Larson will draft legislation for feedback from Councilman Spadola and Human Resources Director Charlotte Barnes regarding legislation for increased ethics training for other City employees.

The Advisory Opinion request listed on this May agenda was withdrawn prior to the start of the meeting.

Communications - None.

Committees-None.

Unfinished Business - None.

Miscellaneous Business – None.

The next meeting of the Ethics Commission will be Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 4 p.m., Louis L. Redding City/County Building, 5th Floor Atrium Conference Room or via Zoom Teleconference. The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 4:51 p.m.

Javette Lane