

Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes

Virtual Meeting

4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Meisinger-Petit, Chair, at 4:10 p.m. The following people attended:

Members in attendance via Zoom – William D. Johnston, Katherine Klocko, Faith Meisinger-Petit (Chair), William S. Montgomery, Melvin Phillips. A, and Charles H. Toliver, IV. quorum was established.

Members not in attendance – Theophilus R. Nix, Jr. (Vice Chair).

Ethics Commission Counsel – William Larson.

Law Department – Javette Lane.

Minutes – It was properly moved by Ms. Klocko and seconded by Mr. Phillips to accept the minutes from the public and executive sessions as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Update on 2023 Annual Ethics Training for City Employees – Remaining employees will take the training virtually.

Update on 2023 Annual Disclosures – Annual disclosures are due on May 1. There are no changes to this year's disclosures. Mr. Larson will compile the emails for distribution of the forms to all elected and appointed employees and all members of the City's Boards and Commissions.

Update on Pending Nepotism Legislation – Mr. Larson updated the Commission regarding the Pending Nepotism Legislation. The legislation went to and made it out of the Finance Committee and should go to the full Council in April.

Update on Complaint 2022-01 – Jim Hall requested and received an extension to March 27, 2023, to respond to the complaint.

Update on Complaint 2022-02 – At 4:24 Mr. Johnston moved, and Mr. Toliver seconded to move into executive session to discuss the complaint. Motion passed unanimously.

At 4:27 Mr. Johnston moved to come back in regular session. Mr. Phillips seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Klocko moved, and Mr. Johnston seconded to grant Special Counsel a 60-day extension of time to complete the investigation. Motion passed unanimously.

Communications – None.

Committees- None.

Unfinished Business – None.

Miscellaneous Business – None.

The next meeting of the Ethics Commission is Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 4 p.m., via Zoom Teleconference.

At 4:31 Mr. Toliver moved, and Mr. Phillips seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Javette Lane