

NOTICE OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION AUGUST 31, 2015 AT 6:30 P.M. CITY HALL, ROOM 1101 301 W. 2ND STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS

CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Chair Austin Kaplan Vice Chair Peter Einhorn Meagan Harding Matthew Lamon Donna Beth McCormick J. Michael Ohueri Paul Quinzi Kenneth Smith Dennis Speight Robert "Ben" Stratmann Brian Thompson

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission will go into executive session to discuss legal issues related to a complaint filed on August 11, 2015 by Kent Anschutz against Arif Panju alleging violation of Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure) and a supplement to the complaint filed on August 27, 2015 by Kent Anschutz against Arif Panju alleging additional violations of Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure) (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

2. PRELIMINARY HEARING

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

The Commission will convene a preliminary hearing under Section 2-7-44 of City Code to consider a complaint filed on August 11, 2015 by Kent Anschutz against Arif Panju alleging violation of Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure) and a supplement to the complaint filed on August 27, 2015 by Kent Anschutz against Arif Panju alleging additional violations of Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure).

3. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. City Council Audit and Finance Committee resolution relating to proposed changes to Chapter 4-8 of City Code (Regulation of Lobbyists) and Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure), posted as Item No. 10 on the August 26, 2015 City Council Audit and Finance Committee agenda, including possible referral to one or more Commission working groups.
- b. Revision of Commission bylaws.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- a. Chapter 4-8 of City Code (Regulation of Lobbyists), including report from associated Commission working group (Lamon, McCormick, Smith, Speight).
- b. Chapter 2-7 of City Code (Ethics and Financial Disclosure), including report from associated Commission working group (Einhorn, Kaplan, Ohueri).
- c. Chapter 2-2 of City Code (Campaign Finance) and Article III, Section 8 of the City Charter (Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures), including report from associated Commission working group (Harding, Quinzi, Stratmann, Thompson).

5. STAFF BRIEFING

Update on proposal for electronic City Council campaign finance filing and searchable online database, including City Council Resolution No. 2015-0625-022, Commission Recommendation No. 20150428-03A, and Ordinance No. 20150806-004.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 28, 2015 REGULAR MEETING.

7. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first five speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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