



ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, August 10, 2016**

The Ethics Review Commission (“Commission”) convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 10, 2016, at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Room 1027, in Austin, Texas.

Commission Chair Peter Einhorn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commission Members in attendance: Chair Peter Einhorn, Vice Chair Matthew Lamon, Secretary Robert “Ben” Stratmann, Debra Danburg, Donna Beth McCormick, J. Michael Ohueri, Paul Quinzi, Kenneth Smith, and Dennis Speight.

Commission Members absent: Meagan Harding and Brian Thompson.

City Staff in Attendance: Commission Executive Liaison & Assistant City Attorney Cynthia Tom, Commission Staff Liaison Jessica Aranda, City Clerk Jannette Goodall, Bob Guz from the City Clerk’s Office, and Lara Foss from the Communications and Public Information Office.

Item No. 1: There were no speakers for general citizen communication.

Item No. 3.a.: The chair took up Item No. 3.a. out of order. Frances McIntyre from the Austin Area League of Women Voters and Ms. Foss briefed the Commission on the planned 2016 City Council election candidate forums.

Item No. 3.b.: The chair took up Item No. 3.b. out of order. Ms. Tom briefed the Commission on Ordinance No. 20160623-020 amending Chapter 2-2 of the City Code (Campaign Finance) relating to direct campaign expenditures.

Item No. 2: Ms. Goodall and Mr. Guz briefed the Commission on the proposed changes to City campaign finance form ATX1 and instructions associated with amendments made by Ordinance No. 20160623-020 to City Code, Chapter 2-2 (Campaign Finance) relating to direct campaign expenditures.

Commission Member Speight made a motion to approve the revisions to form ATX1 and instructions as proposed, which was seconded by Commission Member Danburg. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote, with Commission Members Harding and Thompson absent.

Item No. 4: Vice Chair Lamon made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2016 regular Commission meeting and the June 8, 2016 regular Commission meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Stratmann. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote, with Commission Members Harding and Thompson absent.

Item No. 5: The Commission discussed the following possible future agenda items: voluntary campaign contracts, working group reports, and update on lobbying ordinance amendments. Chair Einhorn adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. without objection.