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ETHICS COMMISSION

OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE **MEETING MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026

CITY HALL, 3 RD FLOOR, CONFERENCE ROOM C

The meeting was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by Chair Sunny Gettinger. Attendees: Dr. Erich Freiburger via phone, Sean Mulholland, Sunny Gettinger, and Deena Bateh Wallace. Excused Absence: Leah Palestrant.

Others in attendance: Kirby Oberdorfer, Director of the Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight ("Ethics Office"); Andrea Myers, Ethics Office Program and Training Manager; Sandy Homrighouse, Ethics Office Executive Assistant; and Dylan Reingold, Office of General Counsel ("OGC").

Public In Attendance: Roshanda Jackson

Confirmation of Quorum:

Ms. Gettinger confirmed the quorum for the meeting with three (3) Committee members present. Ms. Oberdorfer thanked Ms. Jackson for attending and announced Ms. Palestrant has an excused absence.

New Business:

2026 Committee Goals: Ms. Gettinger started a discussion regarding the approach and timing of the community outreach plan. The items discussed were:

- Ethics Office and Ethics Commission websites need to be updated. The City can help with this after April 2026.
- The public needs to be educated about the work of the Ethics Office and Ethics Commission from an informational perspective, but not in response to or provide commentary regarding any specific issues occurring in the City.
- An Ethics Office/Ethics Commission representative appearing on First Coast Connect.

Public Outreach to CPAC and Other Civic Organizations: Ms. Gettinger advised she will discuss community outreach through CPACs and other civic organizations meetings at the next Ethics Commission meeting. The Committee members agreed all Ethics Commission members who are

able should participate in individual speaking engagements at community organization meetings, but only one Commission member will speak at each meeting in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

Press Release Regarding 2026 Officers and New Ethics Commission Members: Ms. Gettinger discussed the Ethics Commission issuing a press release regarding the Commission's officers and new members for 2026. Mr. Reingold recommended the Ethics Commission may want to consider revising the press policy in the Internal Operating Procedures to clarify the difference between engaging with the community and engaging with the press. He advised the Ethics Commission's Internal Operations Committee could consider this clarification of the press policy if the Commission desires to update the policy. Upon request by Ms. Oberdorfer, the Open Government Committee members provided input on the substantive biographical information of the Commission's officers and new members for 2026 that should be included in the press release.

Public Comment: Ms. Gettinger asked for public comments. Ms. Jackson provided public comment.

Announcements: None.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

Sandy Homrighouse

4/20/2026

Sandy Homrighouse, Executive Assistant, OECO

Date Approved

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