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ETHICS COMMISSION NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

City Hall, Second Floor, Conference Room C
Friday, October 17, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Sunny Gettinger. Attendees: Sunny Gettinger, Leah Palestrant and Sean Mulholland.

Others in attendance: Kirby Oberdorfer, Director of the Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight (OECO); Paige Johnston, Ethics Attorney (OECO); Sandy Homrighouse, Executive Assistant (OECO); and Dylan Reingold, Office of General Counsel (OGC) via phone.

Public In Attendance: Kelly Frazier and April Hall-Lloyd

Confirmation of Quorum:

Ms. Gettinger confirmed the quorum with 3 Commission Members present.

Review of Applicant Interview Process and Questions:

Ms. Oberdorfer stated an application was submitted after the due date. Ms. Oberdorfer notified Ms. Gettinger, as Chair of the Committee after the application was received. Ms. Oberdorfer asked whether the Committee would like to consider the application. Ms. Gettinger stated that her preference would be not to consider it. Mr. Mulholland made a motion not to accept the application. Ms. Palestrant seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

The Nominating Committee reviewed and discussed the list of proposed questions for the applicants and subsequently selected the interview questions.

Interview and Discussion of Applicants for Vacancy on Ethics Commission:

After its discussion, the Nominating Committee interviewed the following applicants, listed in order of their designated interview times: (1) Christine Allmand; (2) Angella Beckom; (3) Fredericka Brown; (4) Lewan Brunson; (5) Brandon Cooper; (6) Cameron French; (7) Steve Harris; (8) Gracie Bell Kearse-McCastler; (9) Ilene Levenson; (10) Tomitchell Pratcher; (11) Mark Register; (12) Wendy Snee; (13) Stanley Simmons; (14) Steffanie Wood.

Upon completion of the candidate interviews, the Nominating Committee discussed all the candidates and provided comments as to their top ranking of candidates. There was consensus on several of the candidates. Following the discussion, Ms. Palestrant made a motion to recommend that the Ethics Commission appoint Angella Beckom for the vacancy on the Ethics Commission and Brandon Cooper as alternate. Mr. Mulholland seconded the motion. Ms. Gettinger asked for public comment. Ms. Hall-Lloyd provided public comment. With no further discussion, the motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

Announcements: None

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

_____ Sandy Homrighouse, Executive Assistant, OECO	_____ Date of Approval
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