

Minutes for Meeting of Thursday, December 11, 2008

Item-1: Call to Order

Chairman Cabrera called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Item-2: Roll Call

<u>Present</u> – Chairman Guillermo Cabrera, Vice-Chair Richard Valdez, Commissioners Lee Biddle, Clyde Fuller, Krishna Haney (arrived at 5:07 p.m.), Dorothy Leonard, and Larry Westfall

<u>Staff</u> – Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst, General Counsel Alison Adema, Program Manager Steve Ross, Senior Investigator Lauri Davis, Investigator Kacy Green, Auditor Rosalba Gomez and Executive Secretary Katherine Hunt

Item-3: Approval of Commission Minutes

Approval of Ethics Commission Minutes of November 13, 2008

Motion: Approve Moved/Seconded: Leonard/Fuller Vote: Carried Unanimously Excused: Haney

Item-4: Non-Agenda Public Comment

None

Item-5: Commissioner Comment

None

Item-6: Executive Director Comment

Director Fulhorst reported on the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws (COGEL) conference that she and the Commission's General Counsel Alison Adema attended in Chicago. She commented that the conference provides a valuable opportunity to network and keep updated on developments with campaign and lobbying laws.

Item-7: General Counsel Comment

Ms. Adema commented that she felt the COGEL conference was very worthwhile and was glad she had the opportunity to attend. She added that she heard positive comments about Director Fulhorst's involvement with the COGEL Steering Committee, as well as her involvement with the Awards Committee by serving as the committee chair.

Item-8: Adjournment to Closed Session

Chairman Cabrera adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at approximately 5:08 p.m. He stated the Commission would reconvene into Open Session following the conclusion of Closed Session in order to report any action taken during the closed session portion of the meeting.

Reconvene to Open Session

Chairman Cabrera called the meeting back into open session at approximately 5:42 p.m.

Reporting Results of Closed Session Meeting of December 11, 2008

Chairman Cabrera reported the results of the Closed Session Meeting of December 11, 2008.

Item-1: Conference with Legal Counsel (3 potential matters)

Case No. 2008-67 – In Re: Alleged Acceptance of Campaign Contributions in Excess of Limit

Motion: Initiate Investigation Vote: Carried Unanimously

Case No. 2008-76 – In Re: Alleged Failure to Include "Paid for by" Disclosure on Campaign Literature

Motion: Initiate Investigation Vote: Carried Unanimously

Case No. 2008-79 – In Re: Alleged Misuse of City Position by City Official

Motion: Initiate Investigation Vote: Carried Unanimously

Item-2: Conference with Legal Counsel (2 potential matters)

Case No. 2008-54 – In Re: Alleged Failure to Disclose Economic Interests and Alleged Participation in Municipal Decision Affecting Economic Interests

No Reportable Action

Case No. 2008-57 – In Re: Howard Wayne – Alleged Failure to Maintain Campaign Records

Motion: Accept Final Audit Report and Approve Stipulation Vote: Carried Unanimously

Item-3: Personnel Matter – Evaluation of Performance

No Reportable Action

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Guillermo Cabrera, Commission Chair Ethics Commission Kathy Hunt, Executive Secretary Ethics Commission

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