

COBI ETHICS BOARD

Regular Meeting

Monday, February 22, 2021

6:30 – 8:00 PM

VIA ZOOM WEBINAR

Minutes

1. Call to order — Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Karen Anderson, Jim Cash, Dona Keating, David Mallon, Tyler Weaver, and Andrew Tsoming.
2. Disclosure of conflict of interest — None
3. Motion to accept minutes for the January 25, 2021 meeting (regular) with corrections and February 1, 2021 meeting (special) by Tyler Weaver; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Cash. Agreed.
4. Public comment — 3 members of the public commented.
5. Discussion with Mary Hancock, Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County on mediation as recommended as part of Article I complaints.
6. Review of determination for EB-2020-06 (Article I Complaint) — Karen Anderson has recused herself from consideration of this complaint. Motion to approve with corrections (below) and submit to City Clerk by Tyler Weaver; 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Mallon. Agreed.
  - a. Section 3 (Page 2 of 5)  
Strike this paragraph:  
~~In addition to the above sections, Article I, § C.2a directs Councilmembers and members of City Committees and Commissions to “...familiarize themselves with the ethical rules governing them (including Chapter 42.23 RCW and this Ethics Program) and obtain periodic education regarding such rules”. In particular, RCW 42.23.070(1) stipulates that: “No municipal officer may use his or her position to secure special privileges or exemptions for himself, herself, or others.”~~
  - b. Section 3.A (Page 3 of 5)  
Strike the word “with” in:  
The Ethics Board finds it credible that Councilmember Michael Pollock violated Article I, § B.1 by transmitting an inflammatory email ~~with~~ that potentially disparaged or maligned not only the Complainant but his fellow Councilmembers.
  - c. Determination and Recommendation (Page 5 of 5)  
Insert the word “for” in:  
The City Clerk is further directed to forward this document to the Complainant, Respondent, and to refer the complaint the mediation process as described in Article III Section A.5 of the Ethics Program.
7. Review of advisory opinion for EB-2020-07 (Request for Advisory Opinion) – Karen Anderson has recused herself from consideration of this complaint. Motion to approve by Tyler Weaver; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dona Keating. Agreed.
8. Update on Annual Report Update. Report delivered on February 9, 2021. City Council considering a joint working session with the Ethics Board.
9. Search Update. Applications for vacant positions due March 19. Interviews to occur in April.

10. Training Update. Motion to appoint subcommittee (Tyler Weaver and Jim Cash) to prepare for first delivery of training to City Council in March by David Mallon; 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen Anderson. Agreed.
11. Items for next regular meeting agenda, March 15 (6:30 - 8:30 PM)
  - a. Initial consideration of EB-2021-01
  - b. Training Update
12. Adjournment at 7:43 PM