

COLORADO INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

Minutes of the October 17, 2016, Meeting
1300 Broadway, Room 1C, 9:00 a.m.
Denver, Colorado

Present: Chairman William Leone; Vice-Chairman Bob Bacon; Commissioner April Jones; Commissioner Matt Smith; and Commissioner Jo Ann Sorensen.

Also Present: Dino Ioannides, IEC Executive Director; and Kyle Dumler of the Colorado Attorney General's Office.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Chairman Leone called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
2. The Commission invited public comments and received none.
3. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the September 13, 2016, meeting.
4. Approval of the minutes of the October 13, 2016, meeting was duly moved and seconded; the Commission took no action on the motion.
5. Staff report. Mr. Ioannides provided the staff report concerning Commissioner Jones' and Mr. Ioannides' attendance at the hearing of the Legislative Audit Committee.
6. The Commission discussed the FY18 budget request. By unanimous consent, Commissioner Smith and Mr. Ioannides were delegated authority to finalize the budget request after receiving input from individual Commissioners.
7. Mr. Ioannides provided a supplement to the staff report regarding a legislative request for fiscal note analysis pertaining to a citizen initiative. By unanimous consent, the Commission delegated authority to Commissioner Smith and Mr. Ioannides to finalize and submit the fiscal note analysis.
8. The Commission recessed from 10:29 a.m. until 10:41 a.m.
9. The Commission discussed its draft position statement regarding home rule ethics codes and Article XXIX of the Colorado Constitution.
 - a. Chairman Leone disclosed that his law firm has received and responded to an RFP for pending litigation from the City of Colorado Springs, a home rule city that has provided comments during the Commission's consideration of the home rule issue. Chairman Leone does not believe there is a legal or technical conflict of interest that would prevent him from participating in the home rule discussion. Commission

- Counsel, Kyle Dumler, indicated that he has discussed this issue with the Chairman and does not see any conflict.
- b. The Commission considered the motion, postponed from the Commission's October 13, 2016, meeting, for approval of the draft home rule position statement.
 - c. Commissioner Smith moved several amendments to the draft position statement, which motion the Commission tabled preferring instead to proceed informally and request Mr. Ioannides to re-draft an updated position statement consistent with the informal discussion.
 - d. The Commission recessed from 12:20 p.m.
 - e. The Commission returned from recess at 12:30 p.m. and continued its informal discussion of the home rule position statement.
10. The Commission vacated its November 14, 2016, meeting. The Commission set its next meeting for November 15 and 16, 2016.
11. Having no further business, the Commission adjourned at 1:22 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 15 – 16, 2016, location to be announced.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dino Ioannides
Executive Director
Colorado Independent Ethics Commission