

COLORADO INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

Minutes of the August 15, 2023, Meeting
1300 Broadway, Room 1E
Denver, Colorado

Present: Chair Cole Wist, Commissioner Elizabeth Espinosa Krupa, Commissioner Lora Thomas, and Commissioner Daniel Wolf.

Also Present: Dino Ioannides, IEC Executive Director; Nelson Sanchez, IEC Investigator; and Gina Cannan of the Colorado Attorney General's Office.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Chair Wist called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.
2. The Commission invited public comment and received none.
3. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the July 18, 2023, regular meeting, and of the August 1, 2023, special meeting.
4. Mr. Ioannides provided the staff report.
5. At 9:40 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter closed session concerning the new commissioners' briefing regarding home rule and Position Statement 16-01, for purposes of receiving legal advice; and to discuss *Glendale v. IEC*, for purposes of receiving legal advice.

II. CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

6. The Commission met in closed session from 9:40 a.m. to 10:06 a.m. for the new commissioners' briefing regarding home rule and Position Statement 16-01; and to discuss *Glendale v. IEC*.

III. GENERAL BUSINESS

7. The Commission returned to open session at 10:06 a.m.
8. The Commission called Complaints 16-02 and 17-14. Counsel for both parties entered their appearance. The Commission heard oral argument from both parties regarding the Commission's jurisdiction. Chair Wist announced that the parties' arguments were considered submitted and that a written Commission order will issue in due course.
9. At 10:45 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter closed session to discuss Complaints 16-02, 17-14, and 23-02, for purposes of receiving legal advice; and Complaints 23-10, 23-12, 23-13, 23-14, 23-15, 23-16, and 23-17, for

purposes of receiving legal advice and which are required to be kept confidential pursuant to Article XXIX, §5(3)(b) of the Colorado Constitution.

IV. CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

10. The Commission met in closed session from 10:45 a.m. to 12:11 p.m. to discuss Complaints 16-02, 17-14, 23-02, 23-10, 23-12, 23-13, 23-14, 23-15, 23-16, and 23-17

V. GENERAL BUSINESS

11. The Commission returned to open session at 12:11 p.m.
12. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 23-10 as frivolous.
13. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaints 23-12, 23-13, 23-15, and 23-16 as frivolous.
14. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously deemed Complaint 23-17 as non-frivolous.
15. By unanimous consent, the Commission will issue a written order regarding Complaint 23-02.
16. Having no further business, the Commission adjourned at 12:23 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dino Ioannides
Executive Director
Colorado Independent Ethics Commission