

1 The Seabrook Ethics Review Commission met in regular session on Monday, June 13, 2022 at
2 Seabrook City Hall, 1700 first Street, Seabrook, Texas, to consider and if appropriate, take action
3 with respect to the items listed below.

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5 THOSE PRESENT WERE:

6 DAVID WILKERSON	PRESIDENT
7 GENEVIEVE MAHAN	VICE-PRESIDENT
8 MARCY FRYDAY	MEMBER
9 LILIANA GONZALEZ	MEMBER
10 NATHAN LENNA - Ex. Abs.	MEMBER
11 ROBIN LENIO	CITY SECRETARY

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13 President David Wilkerson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

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15 **1. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

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17 **2. NEW BUSINESS**

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19 **2.1** Administer Oath(s) of Office to new Commission Member(s). *Robin Lenio, City Secretary*

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21 Robin Lenio, City Secretary, administered the Oaths of Office to new members Marcy
22 Fryday and Liliana Gonzalez.

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24 **2.2** Review of Article VI, "Code of Ethics", Division 1, "Generally", and Division 2,"Ethics
25 Review Commission", in the Seabrook Code of Ordinances for updates and amendments. *Robin*
26 *Lenio, City Secretary*

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28 Section 2-176 (Policy): Members stated that the section was comprised of long run-on
29 sentences and would like to get with the City Attorney to see if the section can be shortened or re-
30 written without deleting any pertinent, important content and meaning. In addition, the members
31 want to ask the City Attorney if part-time employees and interns need to be included in Section 1-
32 176.

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34 Section 2-177 (Definitions): Members would like the City Attorney to weigh in on the
35 following questions and suggestions: Does the definition of "City Council" read accurately
36 according to City Charter? Should interns be included in the definition of "Employee"? Should
37 task forces and the Open Space and Trails Committee be included in the definition of "Local public
38 official"? Committee would like more inclusive language added to the definition of "Relative"
39 such as partner instead of spouse; parent instead of father, mother; adult child instead of son,
40 daughter; and sibling instead of brother or sister. Committee would like have the Local
41 Government Code reference for "Substantial interest" checked to make sure the definition is up to
42 date and would like V.T.C.A. spelled out in the definition so that it is clear to members of the
43 public.

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45 Section 2-206 (Creation; duties and powers generally): Members want to know if the
46 duties and powers of the Ethics Review Commission still apply if the allegation of violation is
47 against a member of City Council.
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49 Section 2-207 (Members; composition; terms; removal; vacancies): Members would like
50 item (d) from this section to be re-worded into plain language. It was suggested to add “serve in
51 any other capacity for the City”. Members would like the last sentence of item (f) from this
52 section to be changed to “A commission member shall recuse ~~himself or herself~~ themselves from
53 complaints involving the member of council who nominated him”.
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55 Section 2-209 (Meetings): Members would like to add a definition of “reasonable” in order
56 to clarify what “reasonable notice” means.
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58 *By consensus all members agreed to start their review at Division 3, “Conflicts of Interest”, at the*
59 *next Ethics Review Commission meeting. The City Secretary will pass along the comments,*
60 *questions, and suggestions to the City Attorney for his input.*
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62 **3. ROUTINE BUSINESS**

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64 **3.1** Approve the minutes of the March 2, 2022 Ethics Review Commission Meeting. *Robin*
65 *Lenio, City Secretary*
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67 *Motion was made by Vice-President Mahan and seconded by Member Gonzalez to Approve the*
68 *minutes of the March 2, 2022 Ethics Review Commission Meeting. MOTION CARRIED BY*
69 *UNANIMOUS CONSENT.*
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71 **3.2** Establish future meeting dates and agenda items. *Ethics Review Commission*
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73 By consensus the Commission agreed to meet on Wednesday, July 6 and on Wednesday,
74 August 17, 2022.
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76 The next Ethics Review Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at
77 6:00pm at Seabrook City Hall.
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79 Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.
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81 APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF JULY, 2022.
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David Wilkerson, President

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87 Robin Lenio, TRMC, City Secretary
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