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AGENDA

Date and Time: 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Location: Room E1.010, Capitol Extension, Austin, Texas

1. Call to order; roll call.
2. Communication to the commission from the public.
3. Comments by the commissioners.
4. Comments by the executive director.
 - a. Quarterly Report
 - b. Sunset Advisory Commission Review Update
5. Approve minutes of the February 8, 2012, Commission meeting.
6. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce certain penalties assessed for late filing of campaign finance reports, lobby reports, or personal financial statements for the following individuals:

Dennis Borel	Rickey N. 'Rick' Williams	Ray J. Olivarri, Jr.
Beryl R. Burgess	Grant A. Billingsley	Randall Dale 'Randy' Parker
Rhonda Renee Diehl	Frederick H. 'Fred' Brown	Herman C. Roark, Jr.
Nicole Elizalde Henning	Lauro A. Bustamante, Jr.	Gabriela Saenz
Mary H. Horton	Ben Campbell	Ornaldo Ybarra
Grace M. Uzomba	Mark R. Clark	Thomas E. 'Smitty' Smith
Dora G. Alcalá	Jack R. Fickessen	Isidro R. 'Chilo' Alaniz
Tom Banning	Karen Hadden	Regina B. Arditti
Kevin Forest Bruce	Mark D. Harkrider	Fred C. Bosse
Richard Carrizales	Ted A. Heydinger	John F. Boyle, Jr.
Bonnie C. Ericson	Kate Thornberry Hill	David A. Dean
Shareen Larmond	Hispanic Republican Conference	Ann L. Quest
Hollis C. Lewis, Jr.	Dorothy A. Holguin	Kerry E. Russell
Juan M. Medina	Brett R. Kerr	Joshua S. Tetens
Julie W. Moore	Frank Liu	Raul Torres
Brad Shields, II	Chuck McDonald	Pablo E. 'Paul' Vasquez
Armando Vera	Sandra McKenzie	Joshua Daniel Baker

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7. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce late-filing penalties in connection with certain corrected reports or to determine whether certain corrected reports as originally filed substantially complied with the applicable law for the following individual:

Brian D. Birdwell Lenora Sorola-Pohlman
Jim Oberwetter Ismael 'Kino' Flores

8. Reports More Than 30-days Late; Discussion and possible action regarding the imposition of additional fines on the following individuals:

Bob Leonard	Paula Colvin Hand	Phyllis Campbell
Rick W. Neudorff	Marlon C. Rollins	Ken Grays
Gena N. Slaughter	Anthony B. Schram	Suzanne Bellsnyder
Daniel G. Rios	Sandra R. Kuprion-Thomas	John H. Spivey
Vernard G. Solomon	Hope A. Hart	Jonathan Kennedy
Guadalupe A. 'Lupe' Gonzalez		Todd M. Smith
Michael E. Holdman	Daniel G. Simmons	Gaylord Armstrong
George E. Emery	Sydney C. Leonard	Steven C. Ray
Silvia M. Mintz	Johnny Torres, Jr.	William David Floyd
Jeremy B. DuCote	Charlie H. Harvey	Katherine Viola
Lyman King		

9. Discussion and possible action regarding the termination of a campaign treasurer appointment of the following inactive candidates and political committee:

Candidates

Michael E. Holdman
Silvia M. Mintz

Political Committee

South Texas Economic Alliance Political Action Committee

Discussion and possible action in response to the following Advisory Opinion Draft:

10. AOR-568: Whether a communication relating to a measure election complies with section 255.003 of the Election Code.

This opinion construes section 255.003 of the Election Code.

Discussion and possible action in response to the following Advisory Opinion Draft:

11. AOR-569: Whether a complainant or respondent to a sworn complaint filed with the Texas Ethics Commission may disclose a dismissal order issued by the commission that dismisses the complaint.

This opinion construes section 571.140 of the Government Code.

12. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal or adoption and publication in the Texas Register of amendments and/or repeals to Ethics Commission Rules §§ 24.1 (Corporations and Certain Associations Covered), 24.7 (Contribution on Measure), 24.11 (Political Expenditures to Communicate with Stockholders, Members, and Families), 24.13 (Expenditures for a General-Purpose Committee), 24.14 (Administrative Expenditure), 24.15 (Payments to a Corporation of the Candidate or Officeholder), and 24.19 (Contribution to a Political Party).
13. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of amendments and/or repeals to Ethics Commission Rules §§ 18.23 (Administrative Waiver of Fine), 18.24 (Personal Financial Statement Administrative Waiver and Reduction of Fines), 18.25 (Administrative Waiver and Reduction of Fines (Other than Personal Financial Statements)), and 18.27 (Sworn Complaints).
14. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of the new Ethics Commission Rule § 12.51 (Non-Complying Complaint).
15. Adjourn.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

Certifying Official: David A. Reisman, Executive Director

Agency Liaison: Natalia Luna Ashley, General Counsel

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