## City of Denton Board of Ethics

After determining that a quorum was present, the Board of Ethics of the City of Denton, Texas, convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 31, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

**PRESENT:** Chair Lara Tomlin, Vice-Chair Klaassen, and Members Dustin Pavelek, Annetta Ramsay, Andrea Eberhard and Alternate Members Rob Rayner and David Shuck.

ABSENT: Members Don Cartwright and Patricia Reinke

#### 1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

### A. BOE22-008 Member introductions and commentary.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

# B. BOE22-009 Receive nominations and hold an election of a Chair and Vice-Chair.

Member Rayner nominated Lara Tomlin for Chair; motion seconded by Member Shuck.

AYES (6): Vice-Chair Klaassen, Members Pavelek, Ramsay, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

ABSTAIN (1) Chair Tomlin

Member Ramsay nominated Hannah Klassen for Vice-Chair; motion seconded by Member Eberhard.

AYES (6): Chair Tomlin, Members Pavelek, Ramsay, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

ABSTAIN (1) Vice-Chair Klaassen.

# C. <u>BOE22-010</u> Consider approval of minutes for October 28, 2021.

Alternate Member Shuck moved to approve the minutes as presented; motion seconded by Member Ramsay. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Chair Tomlin, Vice-Chair Klaassen, Members Pavelek, Ramsay, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

# D. <u>BOE22-011</u> Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take necessary action regarding a recommendation to amend the Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics) definition of Panel.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Staff directed to remove the language that requires Attorneys or Retired Jurists to serve on a panel of the Board of Ethics.

Member Ramsay moved approval as recommend; motion seconded by Vice Chair Klaassen. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Chair Tomlin, Vice-Chair Klaassen, Members Pavelek, Ramsay, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

# E. <u>BOE22-012</u> Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take necessary action regarding potential recommendations to amend the Board of Ethics Rules of Procedure.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Staff directed to include language in the Rules of Procedure clarifying the timelines and reporting process for received Advisory Opinion requests.

Member Ramsay moved approval as recommend; motion seconded by Member Eberhard. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Chair Tomlin, Vice-Chair Klaassen, Members Pavelek, Ramsay, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

# F. <u>BOE22-013</u> Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take necessary action regarding the format of discussion regarding Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics), Sec. 2-273 (a) Conflicts of Interest.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Staff directed to bring each of the five identified conflict of interest topics presented to future meetings for discussion along with additional peer city benchmarking information.

### G. BOE22-014 Hold a discussion and consider adoption of the 2022 meeting schedule.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Member Ramsay departed the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

The Board gave direction to move their regularly scheduled meetings to the first Monday of each month beginning in May. Adopted meeting days for 2022 include:

May 2, June 6, August, September 5, October 3 and November 7

Member Shuck moved to approve the meeting schedule as amended; motion seconded by Member Rayner. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Chair Tomlin, Vice-Chair Klaassen, Members Pavelek, Eberhard, and Alternates Rayner and Schuck.

NAYS (0): None.

ABSENT (2): Members Cartwright and Reinke.

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKEN (1): Member Ramsay

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Lara Tomlin

Chair

Tammy Peal

Recording Secretary

APPROVED ON: