

**ETHICS ADVISORY COMMISSION
PRELIMINARY PANEL
MINUTES
July 13, 2001**

Members Present: Rebecca B. Bergstresser, Temporary Vice-Chair
Calvin Bluiett
Gloria Tarpley
Daniel Perez, Chair

Staff Present: Shirley Acy, City Secretary
Deborah Watkins, Assistant City Secretary
Jesus Toscano, City Attorney's Office
Lisa Christopherson, City Attorney's Office
Debbie Brown, City Secretary's Office
Michelle M. Calloway, City Secretary's Office
Yolanda Hernandez, City Secretary's Office

Others Present: Kristi Sherrill, Mayor's Office

Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m. The city attorney advised that Mr. Perez was able to sit in and observe the panel's discussion.

The panel heard the complaint brought against Mayor Ron Kirk. They discussed their authority to extend the deadline to hear the complaint. The city attorney agreed that under 12A-25, Section C, (6) that they had the authority to delay action on this case.

The panel moved to keep this complaint in continuation until after the July 20, 2001 training session in order to establish policies and procedures. One-on-one training will be provided to Rebecca Bergstresser during the month of August, since she will be absent from the July 20 meeting.

The panel was advised that under the open meeting act, they must not discuss the merits or substance of any complaint unless in a posted meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.