

**ETHICS ADVISORY COMMISSION
PRELIMINARY PANEL
MINUTES
August 31, 2001**

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

Staff Present: Shirley Acy, City Secretary
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

Meeting called to order at 10:41 a.m.

The panel reviewed the complaint brought by James Northrup against Mayor Ronald Kirk; and the response to the complaint submitted by Mayor Ronald Kirk.

During the discussion and at the request of Commissioner Bluiett, Vice-Chair Bergstresser called a recess of the meeting in order that the preliminary panel could meet in executive session under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Act) to confer with the city attorney at 10:45 a.m.

Following the executive session, the preliminary panel reconvened in open session at 11:06 a.m.

The preliminary panel reviewed and discussed all materials presented.

After discussion, Commissioner Bluiett moved to dismiss the complaint as it only states a hypothetical situation, and does not present any specific actions that have occurred which the panel could use to evaluate if an Ethics Code violation has been committed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tarpley and unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.