

**ETHICS ADVISORY COMMISSION
PRELIMINARY PANEL
MINUTES
July 1, 2003, Room 4CN #1**

Members Present: Calvin Bluiett, Chair
Rebecca Bergstresser
Linda Sorrells

Staff Present: Shirley Acy, City Secretary
Jesus Toscano, City Attorney's Office
Lisa Christopherson, City Attorney's Office
Gwen Satterthwaite, City Attorney's Office
Tom Perkins, City Attorney's Office
Michelle M. Calloway, City Secretary's Office
Debbie Brown, City Secretary's Office
Yolanda Hernandez, City Secretary's Office

Others Present: Yolanda Lara
Leticia Holt
Chris Heinbaugh, WFAA
David Carter, WFAA
Lance Liguiz, WBAP

Meeting called to order at 9:08 a.m.

The panel reviewed the complaint brought by Mr. Allen Gwinn, Jr. against city employee Yolanda Lara regarding the use of city facilities, personnel, equipment, or supplies for private purposes, participation in an election campaign, contributing to a candidate or political committee, or engaging in any other political activity relating to a particular party, candidate, or issue, the response submitted by Yolanda Lara and materials filed in the City Secretary's Office.

Chair Bluiett called a recess of the meeting at 9:16 a.m. in order that the city attorneys could confer with each other.

Chair Bluiett called a recess of the meeting at 9:20 a.m. in order that the Ethics Commission could meet in executive session under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Act) to confer with the city attorney.

Following the executive session, the Ethics Commission reconvened in open session at 9:40 a.m.

After discussion, Commissioner Bergstresser moved that insufficient evidence exists to find just cause under Section 26A-26(e)(1) in the complaint against Yolanda Lara and that it be dismissed. Commissioner Sorrells seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Bluiett called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bergstresser moved to adjourn and Commissioner Sorrells seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.