

ETHICS ADVISORY COMMISSION

MINUTES

February 20, 2004, Room 5ES

Members Present: Calvin Bluiett, Vice-Chair
Rebecca B. Bergstresser
Jim Clark
Linda G. Sorrells
Gloria Tarpley

Members Absent: Daniel Perez, Chair
Margaret Donnelly

Staff Present: Shirley Acy, City Secretary
Debbie Brown, City Secretary's Office
Michelle Calloway, City Secretary's Office

Special Guest: Dr. Robin W. Lovin, Carey M. Maguire University Professor of Ethics
Southern Methodist University

With a quorum being present, Vice-Chair Bluiett called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

The city attorneys were absent due to no business matters being discussed.

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Dr. Robin Lovin, Carey M. Maguire University Professor of Ethics, Southern Methodist University spoke to and received questions from the commission on ethics. The commission members asked Dr. Lovin to review and provide feedback at a later date with his students on the following issues/concerns:

- 1) What type of procedures do other commissions use?**
- 2) Historically, what are their caseloads like?**
- 3) Level of education provided and received?**
- 4) The role of other commissions in advisory capacity? Are they quasi-judicial?**
- 5) How does the structure of city government affect the commission?**
- 6) What kind of guidance/assistance are citizens given at the onset?**
- 7) Are online forms available?**

The commission agreed to cancel the March meeting, absent of any new business.

Vice-Chair Bluiett adjourned the meeting at 10:23 am.