

The Rules Committee met on Monday, January 7, 2013 in Room 309 of City Hall, 211 Williams Street at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mayor Ellison
Commissioner Poulton
Commissioner Rasor

None

Also present were City Manager Donald Johnson, City Attorney David Gillam and City Clerk Melanie Halas.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Poulton
Seconded by Commissioner Rasor

BE IT RESOLVED, the Rules Committee approves the previous minutes.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF ETHICS ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Discussion continued regarding the Ethics Ordinance and Sections 66-3 and 66-5. In Section 66-3, in the second sentence, the committee wanted it changed to reflect "An elected or appointed City official is to use his or her *official* powers to protect, advance, and promote the public interest, and not his or her personal interest." The committee also wanted Attorney Gillam to draft a new last sentence of that section to replace the current last sentence.

In regards to Section 66-5, there was discussion to make changes to A (1) and 2 (D). They wanted "public" official changed to "*appointed*" official. There was a suggestion for language making it clear that a person is allowed to represent self with personal matters, such as their own personal property issues. Mr. Gillam felt it was better to have an agent or representative do negotiating on behalf of them, if it is for their own business or property interest, to avoid any conflicts.

Commissioner Poulton asked the status of having a Rules Committee document on the web. It was explained that as of now, it is a working document that is being pieced together.

Upon motion of Commissioner Poulton and seconded by Commissioner Rasor, the Rules Committee adjourned at 7:00PM.

Melanie Halas, City Clerk