

CITY OF OAKLAND  
PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION  
One Frank Ogawa Plaza (City Hall)  
Commission Retreat  
Monday, March 4, 2013  
Mayor's Caucus Room  
3:00 p.m.



Commissioners: Lloyd Farnham (Chair), Aspen Baker (Vice-Chair), Roberta Johnson, Benjamin Kimberley, Monique Rivera, Eddie Tejada, and Jenna Whitman

Commission Staff: Whitney Barazoto, Executive Director  
City Attorney Staff: Kathleen Salem-Boyd, Deputy City Attorney

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **1. Establish a Quorum.**

The retreat was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Members present: Lloyd Farnham, Aspen Baker, Roberta Johnson, Benjamin Kimberley, Monique Rivera, Eddie Tejada, and Jenna Whitman

Commission staff present: Whitney Barazoto, Lauren Angius, and D'nette Savannah  
City Attorney's Office staff present: Kathleen Salem-Boyd and Mark Morodomi.

### **2. Open Forum.**

Four members of the public attended the retreat and openly participated in all aspects of discussion and activity: Erica Sutton, Arlette Flores-Medina, Barbara Newcombe, and Helen Hutchinson.

### **3. Public Ethics Commission Retreat: "Building Capacity"**

The Commissioner participated in discussion and activities that focused on the organizational needs of the Commission and its members. Specifically, Commissioners discussed the following:

- a. Role of the Commission within the structure and environment of Oakland City government
- b. Commission authority and governing laws
- c. Commission accomplishments for 2012-13
- d. A visual model to symbolize the Commission's approach to ensuring compliance with ethics and campaign finance laws
- e. Commission activities, priorities, and projects to focus Commission work in 2013-14

No formal action was taken during the retreat, which adjourned at 9:20 p.m.