

**Regular Meeting of the Cincinnati Elections Commission
Minutes of March 9, 2023**

CEC members present: Marcus Bethay, Nick Klingensmith, Sally Krisel, and Terry Rath

City representatives present: Christopher Liu, Law; Teninnah Ross, Law

Old Business:

1. Approval of the March 9, 2023 meeting minutes

Mr. Bethay moved for approval of the February 9, 2023, meeting minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Krisel and seconded by Mr. Klingensmith. A vote was taken and the November 10, 2023, minutes were approved by the three votes of Mr. Bethay, Mr. Klingensmith, and Ms. Krisel.

New Business:

I. Selection of CEC Chair position

Mr. Liu recommended the discussion of CEC Chair should be tabled until Mr. Rath returns. A motion to table the appointment of a chair until the April meeting was made by Ms. Krisel. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

II. Introduction to Candidate Information webpage

Mr. Liu shared the link for the Candidate information webpage. The webpage encapsulates election information for this election cycle including deadlines, in-person information sessions, and other useful information. Mr. Liu asked the group to add to the list of FAQs before it is added to the webpage.

Ms. Krisel inquired about the searchable database. Mr. Liu explained there are two different lists that consist of people who have made campaign contributions and a list of people who have financial interest in city development projects. Mr. Liu further explained that his office (EGG) has developed a cross reference tool to find any overlaps. This new tool has not yet been rolled out to the public. Mr. Liu shared with the group the link to the current Temporary Prohibition List of items pending in front of city council and currently under the temporary prohibition period.

III. In-Person Candidate Information Webpage

Mr. Liu shared information related to the In-Person Information sessions on Thursday, March 30th at 3pm and Friday, April 7th at 10am at City Hall Room 115. During these sessions, Mr. Liu will present a PowerPoint to provide information on various elections rules and requirements that was posted on the webpage. This will allow everyone the same opportunity and access to election information. This is an attempt to be proactive and get information out in anticipation of the 2023 election cycle. This also presents an opportunity to introduce the Cincinnati Elections Commission and its role in addition to state requirements. Mr. Liu extended an invitation to the CEC membership to attend the In-Person Information sessions.

Mr. Bethay asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Klingensmith made the motion and Mr. Krisel seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:23pm.