



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Ethics Review Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Auditor

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Baltazar Vargas

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Discussion and possible action regarding the Ethics Complaint submitted by Mr. Eric Litaker against District 10 Councilmember Marc Whyte.

SUMMARY:

Discussion and possible action regarding the Ethics Complaint submitted by Mr. Eric Litaker against District 10 Councilmember Marc Whyte.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On April 21, 2025, Mr. Eric Litaker filed an ethics complaint against District 10 Councilmember Marc Whyte. The complaint has been assigned to a Panel of the Ethics Review Board to conduct a review and issue a final determination regarding the matter.

As required under Section 2-84(d), outside counsel has been appointed to serve as the Independent

Compliance Auditor and Independent Counsel for the Ethics Review Board on this matter. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 2-81 of the Ethics Code, the District 10 Ethics Review Board member has been recused from this matter.

ISSUE:

Mr. Litaker has alleged multiple violations of Section 2-49 (Use of City Resources) of the Ethics Code by Councilmember Marc Whyte, as related to social media postings and campaign materials.

The Ethics Code requires the Ethics Review Board or a designated panel to discuss and issue opinions on the complaint, including disposition and possible imposition of civil sanctions pursuant to Sec. 2-87(f) of the Ethics Code.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Ethics Review Board Panel can decide to take action or dismiss the matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

No recommendation, as the matter is to be determined by the Ethics Review Board Panel.