



MONTGOMERY COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

Public Meeting of February 10, 2015

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners:	Kenita V. Barrow, Chair Mark Greenblatt, Vice-Chair Claudia Herbert Steve Rosen
Staff Members:	Robert W. Cobb, Chief Counsel Erin Chu, Program Manager
Members of the Public:	Danila Sheveiko Howard Anderson Karen Cordry

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Item 2. The minutes from the 1/13/2015 meeting were approved as presented.

Item 3. Erin Chu provided an overview of the status of the annual financial disclosure reporting season, including that 37% of the reports employees are required to file are completed or in process.

Item 4. Erin Chu reported on the numbers of persons who have registered to lobby for 2015. Robert Cobb indicated that there was a significant increase of registration over the same period in the prior year.

Item 5. Cobb reported on the development of the outside employment system and the progress made with the Department of Technology Services towards a testing and launch date for the pilot of the system.

Item 6. Cobb reported on the Management Leadership Forum and the Commission's participation, including that of Commissioner Herbert, in that training exercise for County managers. Cobb is to address the questions received in writing at the training exercise.

Item 7. Cobb informed the Commission about the status of the Commission's budget development for FY16. In particular, Cobb indicated that the Commission will be fully funded in the County Executive's proposed budget.

Item 8. The Commission considered the draft of the Commission's Annual Report. The general consensus was that the draft accurately reflected on the Commission activities in the year. One question that needs to be resolved prior to publication is whether the Commission wants information about personnel issues handled at the staff level to be included in the report. This question was left open. Commissioners wanted additional time to submit any edits to the report.

Item 9. There were no other matters raised at the public meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert W. Cobb". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" and "C".

Robert W. Cobb