

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

Public Meeting, May 13, 2025

Hybrid meeting held in person and via Zoom

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Rahul Goel, Vice-Chair Kenita Barrow Susan Beard Eric Gallun

Staff Members: Erin O'Connor, Staff Director/Chief Counsel Hiwote Yohannes, Program Manager

- Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Vice-Chair.
- Item 2. The April 2025 meeting minutes were approved as presented.
- Item 3. Ms. O'Connor gave the Commission an update on the annual financial disclosure filing season status of filings.

Item 4. Ms. O'Connor discussed meetings with the Government Operations Committee and the County Council in full. While the Commission's request for funding of system updates has not been approved by the County Council, she is optimistic that the conversation will continue.

The open meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm to conduct administrative matters.

In the administrative meeting, the Commission approved most of the outside employment requests as presented. Two requests needed condition adjustments.

The Commission reviewed and acted on two outside employment waiver requests and one department-level waiver request.

Ms. O'Connor discussed updates to two older matters of note to the Commission.

The Commission provided Ms. O'Connor with direction on how to proceed in one item of new business.

The administrative meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin O'Connor Staff Director/Chief Counsel