

**CITY OF SPOKANE ETHICS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – December 17, 2025**

I. Call to Order/Roll Call.

Commission Chair Jennifer Huffaker called the December 17, 2025, meeting of the Ethics Commission to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present for the meeting were Commission Members: Chair Jennifer Huffaker, Vice Chair Melanie Meagher; Commissioner Lisa Drake; Commissioner Maggie apRoberts-Warren; Commissioner Patrick Harder; Commissioner Rockwell Rutter; Commissioner Denis Looney; City Attorney Michael Piccolo; and Assistant City Attorney/Staff Director Megan Kapaun.

II.a. Approval of September 26, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes.

The Commission reviewed the meeting minutes from September 26, 2025. Commissioner Lisa Drake introduced a motion to approve, which was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Harder and approved unanimously by the Commission.

II.b. Update on Ethics Complaint by Al French.

City Attorney Michael Piccolo advised the Commission that Mr. French informed him by email that he intends to withdraw his complaint. No additional action is required at this time.

II.c. Update regarding investigation and dismissal of Ethics Complaint by Linda Biel.

Staff Director Megan Kapaun informed the Commission of the independent investigator's recommendation that Ms. Biel's Ethics Complaint be dismissed. Based on this recommendation, Commissioner Rockwell Rutter introduced a motion to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Maggie apRoberts-Warren and unanimously approved by the Commission.

II.d. Update on investigation regarding Ethics Complaint by Evan Sims against Bart Logue.

Staff Director Megan Kapaun informed the Commission of the independent investigator's recent request for a 30-day extension to complete witness interviews. Commissioner Patrick Harder introduced a motion to approve the extension request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lisa Drake and unanimously approved by the Commission. The investigator's new deadline is January 31, 2026

III. Calendar.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is March 18, 2026 at 4:00 pm.

IV. Other Business.

Chair Jennifer Huffaker introduced a motion for a vote to determine the positions of Chair and Vice Chair for 2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Harder and unanimously approved by the Commission. Chair Jennifer Huffaker and Vice Chair Melanie Meagher both expressed willingness to extend their tenure for an additional year, a decision which was also unanimously approved.

V. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Approved on February 11, 2026.



Jennifer Huffaker, Chair