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**ETHICS COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
February 19, 2025 6:30 PM**



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AGENDA ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025 6:30 PM

I. Call to Order

1. Invocation Followed by Pledge
2. Roll Call
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve August 13, 2024 Minutes

II. New Business

5. Election of Board Chair
Election of Board Vice-Chair
Election of Board Secretary

Discussion

IV. Executive Session (if needed)

V. Adjourn



ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES August 13, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Alicia Barney-Duck - Present	Karen Charmaine - Present
Angela Jenkins - Present	Vacant
Deron Johnson - Absent	

The meeting was called to order by Committee Member Barney-Duck at 6:33 p.m.

Roll call by Committee Member Barney-Duck. Members present: Barney-Duck, Jenkins, and Charmaine.

Motion to approve the Agenda made by Committee Member Jenkins; seconded by Committee Member Charmaine. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Motion to approve the July 31, 2024 Meeting Minutes was made by Committee Member Jenkins; seconded by Committee Member Jenkins. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Chair Barney-Duck referenced Ethics Complaint 05162024-01 filed May 16, 2024 by Councilwoman Yolanda Barber against Mayor Anthony S. Ford, and read into the record the Recommendation Letter of the Ethics Board regarding the above referenced complaint:

August 13, 2024

Anthony S. Ford, Mayor
LaKeisha T. Gannt, Councilwoman
Alphonso Thomas, Councilman
Kyle D. Berry, Councilman
Yolanda Barber, Councilwoman
Elton Alexander, Councilman

4640 North Henry Boulevard
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RE: Recommendation of Ethics Board to Mayor and City Council as to the following:

2024- 05162024-01 Yolanda Barber against Anthony Ford Filed May 16, 2024

Dear Mayor and Council:

On May 16, 2024, the Stockbridge Ethics Board was referred a complaint filed by Councilwoman, Yolanda Barber against Mayor Anthony Ford. Our Board had a public meeting on June 25, 2024 and July 31, 2024, with the parties in attendance. During these public meetings, the parties addressed the Board extensively regarding the complaint. On both dates, the Board recessed to a closed session to further review the complaint and make a finding.

Upon conclusion of our review of the herein stated complaint, the Board determined by unanimous vote, said complaint failed to substantiate facts sufficient to invoke the disciplinary jurisdiction of the City Council via the Code of Ethics and is thus dismissed pursuant to Code Section 2.40.070 (C). Although the board recognizes previous operational issues that should be addressed to improve communications, we do not find that an ethical violation per the herein referenced Ethics Code that would invoke the disciplinary action sought and specifically set forth by the complainant against Mayor Ford. This is the Board's final decision regarding the herein referenced complaint. Notwithstanding this

finding, the complaining party may pursue any other action such party might have at law or in equity against the named city official.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia Barney-Duck, Chairwoman
Stockbridge Ethics Board

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Committee Member Jenkins at 6:45 p.m.; seconded by Committee Member Jenkins. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk, in the absence of the appointment of a Secretary.