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# Agenda

April 13, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.  
Governmental Center,  
301 North Olive Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
McEaddy Conference Room

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introductory remarks by COE Executive Director
- IV. Nomination and Election of Chair
- V. Chair assumption of meeting from Executive Director
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Discussion of proposed changes to Commission on Ethics Ordinance
- VIII. Schedule of next meeting/Disband Committee
- IX. Adjournment

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by this Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, (s)he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, (s)he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

# AGENDA ITEM VII-PROPOSED CHANGES TO COMMISSION ON ETHICS ORDINANCE

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## **Section 2-255 – Membership, qualifications, terms, vacancies.**

(a) Composition and appointment. The commission on ethics shall be composed of five (5) members. The members of the commission on ethics shall be appointed as follows:

- (4) The president of the ~~Palm Beach chapter of the Florida Institute of CPAs~~ **Palm Beach Chapter of Association of Certified Fraud Examiners or the president of the Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Government Finance Officers Association** shall be requested, **on a rotating basis for each term of the four-year appointments**, to appoint a single member who possesses at least five (5) years of experience as a certified public accountant ~~(CPA)~~ **or as an executive level financial officer** with forensic auditing, ~~and/or~~ government accounting, or government auditing experience. **The president of the Palm Beach Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners shall make the initial appointment. If the scheduled appointing entity declines such appointment or fails to make such appointment within 60 days of the COE request, the appointment will default to the other appointing entity, who shall make an appointment within 60 days of this default. If there is a vacancy during the term of appointment, the original appointing entity shall be requested to make another appointment to fulfill the term of the original appointment.**