



# CITY OF NAPLES

## SEEKS CANDIDATE FOR "INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION" TWO YEAR TERM

September 24, 2020

Patricia L. Rambosk, MMC, City Clerk  
239-213-1015

### **CHARTER AMENDMENT PETITION FORM APPROVED**

#### **Independent Ethics Commission (1 member vacancy)**

On August 18, 2020, the voters of the City of Naples approved a City Charter Amendment for the establishment of an independent Ethics Commission whose members shall be electors of the City of Naples at the time of appointment and throughout their term.

The City of Naples is seeking one member to serve on the five member Ethics Commission. The other four volunteer members shall be appointed as follows:

- One appointed by the State Attorney for the Twentieth Judicial District;
- One appointed by the Public Defender for the Twentieth Judicial District;
- One appointed by the Collier County Sheriff;
- One appointed by the City of Naples representative on the Board of Commissioners of Collier County; and

The Ethics Commission shall have the following authority and responsibilities:

- Develop and draft an amended Ethics Code;
- Advise the City Council in all ethical matters and recommend proposed ordinances, resolutions, or charter amendments to the City Council;
- Adopt its own bylaws and due process procedures consistent with the laws of the State of Florida;
- Provide training in state and local ethics of all persons covered by the Ethics Code;
- The Ethics Commission is authorized to:
  - Receive complaints alleging ethical violations or violations of law, investigate complaints on its own initiative, subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, audit records, take evidence, and compel disclosure;
  - Refer ethical violations or alleged violations to appropriate enforcement agencies;



- Prepare and issue reports to the City Council and the public relating to any ethical violations or violations of law;
- Levy penalties, including financial penalties, censure, and recommend removal from office or position;
- Register and regulate the activities of lobbyists;
- Employ staff and hire consultants to assist in the performance of its responsibilities; and
- Direct the Office of Ethics and Governmental Integrity in the execution of its authority and responsibility.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply for the **Independent Ethics Commission** vacancy, please submit an application online to our [Boards and Committees portal](#) by October 23, 2020. After you complete the application, click on "Submit Form." To receive an immediate e-mail confirmation that your application was received, you must include your e-mail address in the application.

Individuals interested in applying for **Independent Ethics Commission** position may also obtain information by calling 239-213-1015, email to Patricia Rambosk, City Clerk at [prambosk@naplesgov.com](mailto:prambosk@naplesgov.com) or mail to City Clerk's Office 735 8<sup>th</sup> Street South, Naples, Florida 34102.

###