

Agenda for Meeting of Thursday, March 13 2014 5:00 p.m.

Council Committee Meeting Room (12<sup>th</sup> Floor) 202 C Street, San Diego, CA

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#### **REGULAR MEETING**

Item 1: Call to Order

Item 2: Roll Call

Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes

Approval of Commission Minutes of February 13, 2014.

Item 4: Non-Agenda Public Comment

**Item 5: Commissioner Comment** 

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for Commissioners to make announcements or comments.

**Item 6: Executive Director Comment** 

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for the Executive Director to make announcements or comments.

#### **Item 7: General Counsel Comment**

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for the Commission's General Counsel to make announcements or comments.

## Item 8: Proposed Amendments to the Election Campaign Control Ordinance.

Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to the City's campaign laws, including but not limited to laws governing the duplication of candidates' campaign materials, recordkeeping, vendor debt, and electioneering communications.

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## Item 9: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the City Attorney Jan Goldsmith 2012 Committee.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the City Attorney Jan Goldsmith 2012 Committee.

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## Item 10: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the San Diegans for Reform in Opposition to Bob Filner – Mayor 2012 Committee.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the San Diegans for Reform in Opposition to Bob Filner – Mayor 2012 Committee.

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# Item 11: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the Taxpayers for Carl DeMaio – Mayor 2012 Committee.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the Taxpayers for Carl DeMaio – Mayor 2012 Committee.

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#### Item 12: Adjourn to Closed Session

Adjournment to closed session to discuss the items listed in the closed session portion of the agenda. The Commission will reconvene into open session following the conclusion of closed session in order to report any action taken during the closed session portion of the meeting.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

## Item 1: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4) (2 potential matters: Case Nos. 2014-07 and 2014-08). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider initiating a formal investigation against a person or persons who are alleged to have violated local ethics laws. Should an investigation be authorized, the identity of the person or persons being investigated will be available upon request only if and after a Draft Administrative Complaint is issued. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

## Item 2: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4) (6 potential matters: Case Nos. 2013-15 through 2013-17, 2013-28, 2014-02, and 2014-04). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, status of an investigation, or the issuance of a subpoena or Draft Administrative Complaint, with regard to an enforcement action against a person or persons alleged to have violated local governmental ethics laws. Should the issuance of a Draft Administrative Complaint be authorized, the identity of the Respondent or Respondents will be available after a Draft Administrative Complaint is issued and the matter is noticed for discussion as pending litigation. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

### Item 3: Conference with Legal Counsel

Existing Litigation. Pending litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) (1 potential matter: BD Howard v. San Diego Ethics Commission, Fourth District Court of Appeal Case No. D065520). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, status, or strategy associated with existing litigation.

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