

Agenda for Meeting of Thursday, June 11, 2020 5:00 p.m.

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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 March 12, 2020.

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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: Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Report by nominating committee and election of Ethics Commission Chair and Vice Chair.

Item 9: Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report Regarding Executive Director Recruitment and Hiring

Discussion and possible action regarding Executive Director recruitment and hiring.

Item 10: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the Lorie Zapf for Council 2018 Committee

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the Lori Zapf for Council 2018 Committee.

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Item 11: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the Independent Leadership Coalition Supporting Chris Cate for Council 2018 Committee

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the Independent Leadership Coalition Supporting Chris Cate for Council 2018 Committee.

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Item 12: Staff Report Concerning Lobbying Activity in 2019

Discussion and possible action regarding staff report concerning lobbying and related activities disclosed by lobbying firms and organization lobbyists in 2019.

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Item 13: 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) (1 potential matter: Case No. 2020-18). 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) (5 potential matters: Case Nos. 2019-38, 2020-02, 2020-07, 2020-08 and 2020-09). 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.

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