



**Minutes for Meeting of
Thursday, July 14, 2022**

Item 1: Call to Order

The Commission Chair called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Item 2: Roll Call

Present – Commission Chair Caridad Sanchez, Commission Vice Chair Paul Cooper, and Commissioners Bill Baber, Jimmie Slack, and Sid Voorakkara

Absent – Commissioner Tom Hebrank

Staff – Executive Director Sharon Spivak, General Counsel Christina Cameron, Education Program Manager Ryan O’Connor, Investigative Program Manager Kristina Gagné, Audit Program Manager Rosalba Gomez, and Program Coordinator Victoria Velasquez

Item 3: Proclaiming Continued Need for Virtual Monthly Meetings of the Ethics Commission During COVID-19 Emergency.

Motion: The Ethics Commission will continue to meet virtually as allowed under California Assembly Bill 361, adopting the findings contained in Resolution Nos. R-314188 and R-314135 adopted by the San Diego City Council on June 21, 2022 and May 31, 2022.

Moved/Seconded: Voorakkara/Slack
Roll Call Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Hebrank

Item 4: Approval of Commission Minutes of June 9, 2022

Motion: Approve Minutes
Moved/Seconded: Baber/Voorakkara
Roll Call Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Hebrank

Item 5: Non-Agenda Public Comment

Daniel Smiechowski, a candidate in the Municipal Primary Election for the District 2 Council seat, spoke to Commissioners about the campaign. He told Commissioners that he spent only a few hundred dollars on his campaign and received more than 1,500 votes. He discussed campaign activity and asked that the Commission consider changing local campaign contribution laws.

Item 6: Commissioner Comment

Commissioner Slack wished his colleagues and staff a good summer.

Item 7: Executive Director Comment

The Executive Director welcomed the Commission's new officers to their first meeting in their new roles.

The Executive Director noted that the September 2022 meeting may include a presentation from City management on a proposal by the Audit Committee to add classified employees who file Forms 700 to the Commission's jurisdiction. The Commission presently has jurisdiction over the City's unclassified employees who file economic disclosures, but not the classified employees.

She also noted that staff's training program this month will include live Ethics Training sessions for the City's unclassified employees and for the Historical Resources Board.

Item 8: General Counsel Comment

None

Item 9: Adoption of Ethics Commission Calendar for the 2023 Fiscal Year

Motion:	Adopt Meeting Calendar
Moved/Seconded:	Slack/Voorakkara
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously
Absent:	Hebrank

Item 10: Adjourn to Closed Session

Commission Chair Sanchez adjourned the meeting to closed session at approximately 5:25 p.m.

Reporting Results of Closed Session Meeting of July 14, 2022

The results of the closed session meeting of July 14, 2022 are as follows:

Item-1: Conference with Legal Counsel (1 potential matter)

Motion: Accept Audit Report
Moved/Seconded: Baber/Voorakara
Vote: 4-0
Recused: Cooper
Absent: Hebrank

Item-2: Conference with Legal Counsel (1 potential matter)

Case No. 2022-08 – Campaign Contributions

Motion: Continued for lack of quorum
Recused: Cooper, Baber
Absent: Hebrank

Item-3: Conference with Legal Counsel (1 matter)

Case No. 2022-04 – Lobbying Activities

Motion: Dismiss
Moved/Seconded: Cooper/Slack
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Hebrank

Item 4: Appointment of Labor Negotiator

Government Code section 54957.6
Unrepresented Employee: Executive Director

No reportable action. Chair Sanchez and immediate past Chair Baber will serve as the labor negotiators.

Adjournment

The meeting concluded at approximately 6:10 p.m.

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Caridad Sanchez, Chair
Ethics Commission

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Victoria Velasquez, Program Coordinator
Ethics Commission

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