

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
ETHICS COMMISSION**

Office of the Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 3, 2014

TO: Chair and Members of the San Diego Ethics Commission

FROM: Stacey Fulhorst, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Summary of Lobbying Activity in 2013
Docketed for Ethics Commission meeting on October 9, 2014

The Commission staff has reviewed the registration forms and quarterly disclosure reports filed by lobbying firms and organization lobbyists for calendar year 2013, and has compiled the summary set forth below concerning lobbying and related activities during this period.

Registration

During the 2013 calendar year, 69 lobbying firms and 47 organization lobbyists registered a total of 321 individual lobbyists with the City Clerk.

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

During 2013, lobbying firms reported receiving a total of \$3,252,081 from their clients, and organization lobbyists reported making a total of 1,164 lobbying contacts with high-level City Officials. A quarterly breakdown is as follows:

<u>2013 Calendar Quarter</u>	<u>Amount Earned by Firms</u>	<u>Contacts by Organizations</u>
January – March	\$ 792,101	269
April – June	\$ 849,094	279
July – September	\$ 797,074	306
October – December	\$ 813,812	310

Disclosure of Campaign-Related Activities

The quarterly disclosure reports filed during 2013 indicate that lobbyist-related campaign contributions to City candidates and committees primarily formed to support/oppose City candidates totaled \$377,213, and that lobbying firms and organization lobbyists disclosed

\$2,620,935 in fundraising activities for City candidates and committees formed to support/oppose City candidates. A breakdown of lobbyist campaign activity by quarter is as follows:

<u>2013 Calendar Quarter</u>	<u>Campaign Contributions</u>	<u>Fundraising Activities</u>
January – March	\$ 10,314	\$ 66,455
April – June	\$ 42,500	\$ 313,643
July – September	\$ 64,146	\$ 735,319
October – December	\$260,253	\$1,505,518

It should be noted that the definition of “fundraising” is limited to: (1) funds personally delivered to a City candidate; and (2) contributions a lobbyist has taken some credit for raising with the candidate or the candidate’s controlled committee.

For comparison purposes, please see the attached report on lobbying and related activity from the 2012 calendar year.

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Attachment