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## Ethics Commission Releases Updated Campaign Manuals for 2024 San Diego Elections

The Ethics Commission has posted new campaign manuals to assist San Diego's candidates and campaign committees to navigate applicable campaign finance laws. Among other things, the manuals highlight the following changes to the City's laws, which have taken effect since the last City election:

## • Contribution Limits - Council District and Citywide Races

For Council district races, individuals may now contribute up to \$750 to a City Council candidate per election; political party committees may now contribute up to \$13,450 to a City Council candidate per election.

For Citywide races, individuals may now contribute up to \$1,350 to a Mayoral or City Attorney candidate per election; political party committees may now contribute up to \$26,800 to a Mayoral or City Attorney candidate per election.

For purposes of these definitions, "per election" means that the contribution limit may be contributed for the primary election, and again for the general election. See the attached links for details.

## • Primary Election Date

The California Legislature has moved the date of the primary election from June to March during years in which there is a presidential election. In 2024, the City's primary election will be held on March 5, 2024.

Given the changes, the Ethics Commission has issued two new campaign manuals for candidates and committees interested in participating in the City of San Diego's 2024 elections. One manual is designed for candidates seeking elective City office; the other is intended for committees planning to make expenditures supporting or opposing City candidates or ballot measures. These manuals have been posted on the Commission's <u>website</u>, and can also be accessed by clicking on the links below:

2024 Candidate Manual

## 2024 Committee Manual

If you wish to see the Manuals and cannot access the links, please visit the Ethics Commission's website at <u>www.sandiego.gov/ethics</u>. Questions regarding these manuals may be directed to the Ethics Commission at (619) 533-3476 or <u>ethicscommission@sandiego.gov</u>.

The Ethics Commission is an independent City entity dedicated to monitoring, enforcing, and reforming the City's ethics laws. The Commission has jurisdiction over City laws regarding ethics, campaign finance, and lobbying. Commission staff provide the regulated community with education and advice regarding ethics laws, conduct investigations, audit City campaign committees, and propose related legislation.

For more information, we invite you to visit our website, <u>www.sandiego.gov/ethics</u>, or to contact our office at ethicscommission@sandiego.gov.