CITY OF SAN DIEGO
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.
Online Meeting

A. The regular business meeting of the Civil Service Commission was called to order by Vice-President Jacquelyn R. Atkinson at 1:00 p.m. Also present were Commissioner Sunday Gover, Commissioner Tammy Lin, Commissioner Aaron Olsen, and Commissioner Nicolaz Portillo.

B. The staff was represented by Personnel Director Douglas Edwards, Assistant Personnel Director Anne Lamen Aban, and Assistant to the Director Saba Berenji. Serving as legal advisor to the Commission was Senior Deputy City Attorney David Karlin.
City of San Diego
Civil Service Commission

MINUTES

Jacquelyn R. Atkinson, Vice-President
Sunday Gover, Commissioner
Tammy Lin, Commissioner
Aaron Olsen, Commissioner
Nicolaz Portillo, Commissioner

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ITEMS FOR ACTION

NOTE: The Commission will convene at 12:00 p.m. to hear public comment and discussion of the content of the Closed Session Agenda. At the close of public comment and discussion, the Commission will adjourn the public session and go into closed session. The regular business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION

1. Roll Call.

2. Election of Officers

ACTION TAKEN/PENDING

Elected President was Vice-President Jacquelyn R. Atkinson. Commissioner Nicolaz Portillo abstained.

Elected Vice-President was Commissioner Nicolaz Portillo. Commissioner Summer Gover and Commissioner Aaron Olsen abstained.

Personnel Director Douglas Edwards acknowledged President Lori Thacker’s last day on the Commission effective March 3, 2022, and acknowledged her over four years of service to the Civil Service Commission.

President Jacquelyn R. Atkinson and Commissioner Aaron Olsen also expressed their gratitude for President Lori Thacker’s service to the Commission.
NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (Comments relating to items on today’s docket are to be taken at the time the item is heard.)

Time allotted to each speaker is determined by the Chair. Comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes total per subject regardless of the number of those wishing to speak. Pursuant to the Brown Act, no discussion or action, other than a referral, shall be taken by the Commission on any issue brought forth under “Non-Agenda Public Comment.”

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 3 through 8 can be approved with one motion.)

3. Approval of the minutes for the regular business meeting of March 3, 2022. Approved items 3 through 8 with one motion.

4. Leaves of Absence Without Pay – In Order. Items 15 through 17. A correction was noted for Item 17.

5. Approval of Exceptional Merit Increase for Michael M. Agcolicol, Assistant Engineer – Civil.

6. Approval of Exceptional Merit Increase for Kristy E. Delgado, Customer Services Representative.

7. Approval of Exceptional Merit Increase for David Enriquez, Clerical Assistant II.

8. Approval of Exceptional Merit Increase for Sarema Valenzuela, Administrative Aide II.
LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY – DISCUSSION

9. Luis C. Cunha, Structural Inspector I, Development Services Department, for a six-month special leave without pay ending September 22, 2022, with his name to be placed on the eligible list for Structural Inspector I.
   Hire Date: February 22, 2020
   Reason: Family care and to obtain ICC Certification.
   Department Recommendation: Approval.
   Speaking for staff was Carissa Rosemore.

10. Ariel L. Del Toro, Police Officer II, Police Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending March 6, 2023, with her job to be saved.
    Hire Date: May 18, 2017
    Reason: Childcare.
    Department Recommendation: Modification to name on eligible list.
    Speaking for the department was Silvia Satrom.
    Speaking was Ariel L. Del Toro.

11. Sydney M. Engle, Police Officer II, Police Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending March 2, 2023, with her job to be saved.
    Hire Date: June 6, 2019
    Reason: Relocation.
    Department Recommendation: Modification to name on eligible list.
    Speaking for staff was Carissa Rosemore.
    Speaking for the department was Silvia Satrom.

12. Alyssa M. Paraiso, Dispatcher II, Police Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending January 18, 2023, with her name to be placed on the eligible list for Dispatcher II.
    Hire Date: January 28, 2019
    Reason: Outside employment and family care.
    Department Recommendation: Approval.
    Speaking for staff was Carissa Rosemore.
    Speaking for the department was Silvia Satrom.

13. Michael T. Smoker, Lifeguard II, Fire Rescue Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending March 2, 2023, with his name to be placed on the eligible list for Lifeguard II.
    Hire Date: April 23, 2009
    Reason: Loss of EMT License.
    Department Recommendation: Approval.
    Speaking for staff was Carissa Rosemore.
    Speaking was Michael T. Smoker.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. Anthony J. Fiorillo, Police Officer II, Police Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending March 4, 2023, with his job to be saved.
   - Hire Date: May 2, 2014
   - Reason: Childcare.
   - Department Recommendation: Modification to name on eligible list.
   - Approved for six months ending October 7, 2022, with his job to be saved.
   - Commissioner Tammy Lin abstained.
   - Speaking for staff was Carissa Rosemore.
   - Speaking for the department was Silvia Satrom.
   - Speaking was Anthony J. Fiorillo.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY – IN ORDER

15. Lamonte L. Mitcham, Sanitation Driver Trainee, Environmental Services Department, for a one-year special leave without pay ending August 31, 2022, with his name to be placed on eligible list for Sanitation Driver Trainee.
   - Hire Date: November 30, 2020
   - Reason: Medical.
   - Department Recommendation: Approval.

16. Abegail M. Ortega, Customer Services Representative, Public Utilities Department, for a six-month special leave without pay ending June 30, 2022, with her job to be saved.
   - Hire Date: July 11, 2016
   - Reason: Childcare.
   - Department Recommendation: Approval.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY – UNCLASSIFIED

17. Melody L. Shaw, General Water Utility Supervisor, Public Utilities Department, for a leave of absence from the Classified Service effective November 8, 2021, while temporarily filling an unclassified position with her job to be saved. If selected for permanent appointment, this leave will be modified from job saved to name on eligible list.
   - Effective date of leave of absence from the Classified Service corrected to February 18, 2022.
LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY - TOTAL

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CLOSED SESSION

At 12:01 p.m., the Commission met in Closed Session with the following agenda:

1. Deliberation on disciplinary appeal pursuant to Government Code Section 54957:
   a. 2021-1 - Termination upheld.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:00 p.m., the Commission convened into open session. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Jacquelyn R. Atkinson, President