

SAN DIEGO ETHICS COMMISSION REVIEW OF THE CITY'S
Municipal Lobbying Ordinance

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Rev. March 26, 2019

Chapter 2: Government
Article 7: Elections, Campaign Finance and Lobbying
Division 40: Municipal Lobbying

§27.4002 Definitions

Activity Expense means any payment made to, or on behalf of, any *City Official* or any member of a *City Official's immediate family*, by a *lobbyist*, *lobbying firm*, or *organization lobbyist*; if (a) during the previous 12 months the lobbyist, lobbying firm, or organization lobbyist engaged in lobbying the City Official's department, agency, or City Board; or (b) during the next 12 months it is reasonably foreseeable that the lobbyist, lobbying firm, or organization lobbyist will engage in lobbying the City Official's department, agency, or City Board. *Activity expenses* include *gifts*, meals, consulting fees, salaries, and any other form of *compensation* to a *City Official* or a *City Official's immediate family*, but do not include *contributions*.

§27.4017 Contents of Quarterly Disclosure Report

- (a) Each *lobbying firm's* quarterly disclosure report shall contain the following information:
- (1) through (2) [No change in text.]
 - (3) an itemization of *activity expenses* that includes the following:
 - (A) the date, amount, and description of any *activity expense* that exceeds \$10 on any single occasion made by the *lobbying firm* or any of its *lobbyists* during the reporting period for the benefit of a single *City Official* or any member of a *City Official's immediate family*;
 - (B) the name, title, and department of the *City Official* who benefited, or whose *immediate family* benefited, from the itemized *activity expense*;
 - (C) the name of each *lobbyist* who participated in making the *activity expense*;
 - (D) the name and address of the payee of each itemized *activity expense*; and,

(E) the name of the *client*, if any, on whose behalf each *itemized activity expense* was made.

(F) In the event that an *activity expense* paid to a *City Official* or a member of a *City Official's immediate family* is employment-related, such as for salary, benefits, or contract services, the amount of the *activity expense* made during the reporting period may be expressed in a statement that it exceeded \$10 but did not exceed \$2,500, that it exceeded \$2,500 but did not exceed \$10,000, that it exceeded \$10,000 but did not exceed \$25,000, that it exceeded \$25,000 but did not exceed \$100,000, or that it exceeded \$100,000.

(4) through (10) [No change in text.]

(b) Each *organization lobbyist's* quarterly disclosure report shall contain the following information:

(1) through (2) [No change in text.]

(3) an itemization of *activity expenses* that includes the following:

(A) the date, amount, and description of any *activity expense* that exceeds \$10 on any single occasion made by the *organization lobbyist* or any of its *lobbyists* during the reporting period for the benefit of a single *City Official* or any member of a *City Official's immediate family*;

(B) the name, title, and department of the *City Official* who benefited, or whose *immediate family* benefited, from the itemized *activity expense*;

(C) the name of each *lobbyist* who participated in making the *activity expense*; and,

(D) the name and address of the payee of each itemized *activity expense*.

(E) In the event that an *activity expense* paid to a *City Official* or a member of a *City Official's immediate family* is employment-related, such as for salary, benefits, or contract services, the amount of the *activity expense* made during the reporting period may be expressed in a statement that it exceeded \$10 but did not exceed \$2,500, that it exceeded \$2,500 but did not exceed \$10,000, that it exceeded \$10,000 but did not exceed \$25,000, that it exceeded \$25,000 but did not exceed \$100,000, or that it exceeded \$100,000.

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