



**Minutes for Meeting of
Thursday, November 19, 2020**

Item 1: Call to Order

Commission Chair Voorakkara called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Item 2: Roll Call

Present – Commission Chair Sid Voorakkara, Commission Vice Chair Tom Hebrank, and Commissioners Fred Kosmo, Dave Potter, and Caridad Sanchez

Absent – Commissioner Bill Baber

Staff – Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst, Incoming Executive Director Sharon Spivak (for observation purposes only), General Counsel Christina Cameron, Investigative Program Manager Kristina Gagné, and Audit Program Manager Rosalba Gomez

Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes of October 8, 2020

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

Item 4: Non-Agenda Public Comment

None

Item 5: Commissioner Comment

Commissioner Kosmo welcomed Ms. Spivak to the Commission, and congratulated Commissioner Hebrank for being appointed to the Chair of the Redistricting Commission.

Commission Chair Voorakkara expressed his gratitude for the City Council approving the Commission's proposed changes to the Audit Manual, and he thanked staff for the research and recommendations associated with the proposed changes.

Commissioner Voorakkara also advised the Commission that he plans to docket a discussion concerning the City's campaign laws in March of 2021. He reminded the Commission that it is not advisable to modify the laws and/or policies concerning campaign laws in the midst of an election cycle; now that the 2020 election cycle has concluded, it is a good time to address any issues the Commissioner would like to consider.

Item 6: Executive Director Comment

Ms. Fulhorst welcomed Ms. Spivak to the Commission and reported that she and Ms. Spivak have made excellent progress during the first week weeks of their three-month transition period, due in large part to Ms. Spivak's prior experience working with the Commission as a Senior Deputy City Attorney. She noted that there is a significant amount of material to cover but she is confident they will address all of it before her retirement on February 5, 2021.

Ms. Fulhorst also congratulated Commissioner Kosmo on the award received by his law firm, Wilson Turner Kosmo LLP, as one of Top 2020 Workplaces in San Diego.

Item 7: General Counsel Comment

None

Items 8: Presentation of Final Audit Reports Regarding the Antonio Martinez for City Council 2018 Committee

Motion:	Accept Audit Report
Moved/Seconded:	Hebrank/Kosmo
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously
Absent:	Baber

Item 9: Adjourn to Closed Session

Commission Chair Voorakkara adjourned the meeting to closed session at approximately 5:10 p.m.

Reporting Results of Closed Session Meeting of November 19, 2020

The results of the closed session meeting of November 19, 2020 are as follows:

Item-1: Conference with Legal Counsel (4 potential matters)

Case No. 2020-35 – Deposit of Contribution

Motion: Authorize Investigation
Moved/Seconded: Hebrank/Kosmo
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-36 – Solicitation City Employees for Contributions

Motion: Authorize Investigation
Moved/Seconded: Potter/Hebrank
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-37 – Failure to Timely File Campaign Statements

Motion: Authorize Investigation
Moved/Seconded: Kosmo/Potter
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-38 – Disclosure of \$10K Donors

Motion: Authorize Investigation
Moved/Seconded: Hebrank/Potter
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Item-2: Conference with Legal Counsel (6 potential matters)

Case No. 2020-18 – Solicitation City Employees for Contributions

Motion: Approve Stipulation
Moved/Seconded: Kosmo/Potter
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-27 – Failure to Timely File Campaign Statements

Motion: Dismiss
Moved/Seconded: Potter/Hebrank
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-29 – Disclosure of Economic Interests

Motion: Dismiss
Moved/Seconded: Hebrank/Kosmo
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case No. 2020-31 – Disclosure of Economic Interests

Motion: Dismiss
Moved/Seconded: Potter/Kosmo
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Case Nos. 2020-32 and 2020-34 – Deposit of Contribution

Motion: Dismiss
Moved/Seconded: Sanchez/Kosmo
Vote: Carried Unanimously
Absent: Baber

Adjournment

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

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Sid Voorakkara, Chair
Ethics Commission

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Stacey Fulhorst, Executive Director
Ethics Commission

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