



**Minutes for Meeting of  
Thursday, February 11, 2021**

**Item 1: Call to Order**

Commission Chair Voorakkara called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**Item 2: Roll Call**

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

**Staff** – Executive Director Sharon Spivak, General Counsel Christina Cameron, Investigative Program Manager Kristina Gagné, Audit Program Manager Rosalba Gomez and Education Program Manager Ryan O’Connor

**Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes of January 14, 2021**

Motion:	Approve Minutes
Moved/Seconded:	Potter/Kosmo
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously

**Item 4: Non-Agenda Public Comment**

Former Ethics Commission Chair Gil Cabrera praised departing Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst for her 18 years of service to the Ethics Commission. He praised Ms. Fulhorst for steadfast and ethical leadership and congratulated her on her retirement.

Outgoing Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst, who has now retired, thanked Mr. Cabrera and the six Ethics Commissioners for their support and kind comments as she begins her retirement. She noted it has been an honor and privilege to serve in this role.

## **Item 5: Commissioner Comment**

The six Commissioners all individually praised and thanked Ms. Fulhorst, who retired as Executive Director in early February, for her years of dedicated service.

Commissioner Hebrank praised Ms. Fulhorst for her work, expressed his gratitude and said she will truly be missed.

Commissioner Potter thanked Ms. Fulhorst for her dedicated service, her well-thought-out and easy to understand reports, and for well representing the Commission before the Council and the public.

Commissioner Baber said that Ms. Fulhorst should be highly commended for outstanding leadership, recounting details of her earliest years in the role and how she has built the Commission. He said she has served to reinforce the public's trust in local government and the region has been lucky to have her in this role.

Commissioner Kosmo added that Ms. Fulhorst has made a difference, thanked her for welcoming him into the Commission and said it has been an honor to serve with her.

Commissioner Sanchez expressed her gratitude to Ms. Fulhorst for helping her transition onto the Commission and to understand its work and processes. She thanked her for the generosity of her time and assistance.

Commissioner Voorakkara noted that Ms. Fulhorst led the agency during profoundly challenging chapters in local politics and that everyone respected her and the fairness of the Ethics Commission's processes. He said she has elevated the office and left the Commission well prepared.

## **Item 6: Executive Director Comment**

Executive Director Sharon Spivak told the Commission that her three-month overlap period, during which she worked alongside Ms. Fulhorst to learn her position, went very well. She thanked and praised Ms. Fulhorst for everything she has done to help ensure a seamless transition in the position and in the office. She wished Ms. Fulhorst all the best in her retirement.

Ms. Spivak also noted the retirement of Education Program Manager Steve Ross, after more than 15 years of service to the Ethics Commission, and wished him well. She noted that Ryan O'Connor has now fully assumed the position.

**Item 7: General Counsel Comment**

General Counsel Christina Cameron thanked former Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst for her work, her strong work ethic, and for giving her the opportunity to serve as the Commission’s counsel. She wished her well in retirement.

**Item 8: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the Bryan Pease for City Council 2018 Committee**

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

**Adjournment**

The meeting concluded at approximately 5:27 p.m.

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Sid Voorakkara, Chair  
Ethics Commission

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Sharon Spivak, Executive Director  
Ethics Commission

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