



**Minutes for Meeting of
Thursday, August 12, 2021**

Item 1: Call to Order

The Commission Chair called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Item 2: Roll Call

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

Absent – Commissioner Sid Voorakkara

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

Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes of June 10, 2021

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

Item 4: Non-Agenda Public Comment

None

Item 5: Commissioner Comment

None

Item 6: Executive Director Comment

The Executive Director noted that it is Employee Appreciation Month at the City of San Diego and thanked each of the Commission's staff members for their continued diligence and hard work while working remotely.

The Executive Director also noted that the September Commission meeting will include the random drawing by the City Clerk's Office to select which campaigns from the 2020 election cycle will be subject to an audit by Ethics Commission staff.

In response to a question from Commissioner Kosmo, the Executive Director said she would report back on candidate trainings.

Item 7: General Counsel Comment

None

Item 8: Staff Report Regarding Lobbying Activity in 2020

The Executive Director presented the staff report concerning lobbying and related activities disclosed by lobbying firms and organization lobbyists in calendar year 2020. She thanked Ms. Velasquez for her work preparing the report and the accompanying charts, which reflect trends over time.

Motion:	Accept Report
Moved/Seconded:	Potter/Kosmo
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously
Absent:	Voorakkara

Item 9: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the “San Diegans for the Common Good” Committee

Motion:	Accept Audit Report
Moved/Seconded:	Potter/Kosmo
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously
Absent:	Voorakkara

Item 10: Ethics Commission Meeting Calendar for September 2021 to September 2022

Motion:	Adopt Meeting Calendar
Moved/Seconded:	Sanchez/Potter
Roll Call Vote:	Carried Unanimously
Absent:	Voorakkara

Item 11: Adjourn to Closed Session

Commission Chair Baber adjourned the meeting to closed session at approximately 5:18 p.m.

Reporting Results of Closed Session Meeting of August 12, 2021

The results of the closed session meeting of August 12, 2021 are as follows:

Item-1: Conference with Legal Counsel (1 potential matter)

Case No. 2021-22 – Disclosure of Economic Interests

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

Adjournment

The meeting concluded at approximately 5:22 p.m.

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Bill Baber, Chair
Ethics Commission

Victoria Velasquez, Program Coordinator
Ethics Commission

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