



**Minutes for Meeting of  
Thursday, September 9, 2021**

**Item 1: Call to Order**

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

**Item 2: Roll Call**

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

**Absent** – Commission Chair Bill Baber and Commissioner Tom Hebrank

**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: Random Drawing for Audit of Campaign Committees for the 2020 Election Cycle**

The City Clerk’s Office, led by Program Manager Mailei Oliva, conducted the live, random drawing of the names of each campaign committee from the City of San Diego’s 2020 election cycle that will be subject to an audit by the Ethics Commission. The drawing was held in compliance with the Commission’s governing procedures. Audit Program Manager Rosalba Gomez attended the drawing with the Clerk’s representatives at City Hall. Commissioners thanked the Clerk’s Office for their work on the drawing. The Executive Director thanked the Clerk’s Office and Ms. Gomez for their work to ensure all committees were properly included.

The Clerk’s report of the results, signed by witnesses who attended, is attached to the Minutes.

The list of the selected committees is available on the Commission's website:  
<https://www.sandiego.gov/ethics/documents/audits/21auditselection>

**Item 4: Approval of Commission Minutes of August 12, 2021**

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

**Item 5: Non-Agenda Public Comment**

None

**Item 6: Commissioner Comment**

Commissioner Voorakkara noted that he appreciated seeing the new audit criteria in place for the random drawing in Item 3, focusing on auditing larger committees. He noted that this was the first such drawing since new criteria were implemented by the Commission, and approved by the City Council, in 2020. (For example, committees that raised less than \$15,000 are no longer audited; the percentages of committees selected for audit at various contribution levels have changed.) Commissioner Kosmo and Vice Chair Sanchez said they agreed.

**Item 7: Executive Director Comment**

The Executive Director thanked Commissioner Kosmo for inquiring about candidate trainings at the August meeting. She thanked Program Coordinator Victoria Velasquez and Education Program Manager Ryan O'Connor for working with her to prepare materials and conduct outreach to Council candidates for such trainings. She and the Education Program Manager will be providing three candidate trainings, beginning with one on September 14, 2021.

The Executive Director also noted that she and Christina Cameron will be monitoring the status of an executive order that allows the Commission to hold its meetings remotely. The Governor's order is set to expire September 30, 2021, so it is unclear whether the October 2021 meeting will be held in person.

The Executive Director also noted that there is still a vacancy on the Commission. She encouraged Commissioners to let her know as soon as possible if they know they cannot attend a meeting, to ensure there will be a quorum.

**Item 8: General Counsel Comment**

None

**Item 9: Adjourn to Closed Session**

Commission Vice Chair Sanchez adjourned the meeting to closed session at approximately 5:26 p.m.

**Reporting Results of Closed Session Meeting of September 9, 2021**

The results of the closed session meeting of September 9, 2021 are as follows:

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

**Case No. 2021-22 – Disclosure of Economic Interests**

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

**Adjournment**

The meeting concluded at approximately 5:34 p.m.

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Cardidad Sanchez, Vice Chair  
Ethics Commission

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Victoria Velasquez, Program Coordinator  
Ethics Commission

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