

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
ETHICS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020
TELECONFERENCE, 3:00 PM**

Susan Wise, Chair
Margo Morales, Vice Chair
Lani De Benedictis, Commissioner
Luke Fiedler, Commissioner



Kimmy Maniquis, Commissioner
Barbara A. Pollack, Commissioner
J. P. Shotwell, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

**ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE
PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY
GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**

CALL TO ORDER (3:01 PM)

At 3:01 PM, Chair Wise called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (3:01 PM)

Commissioners Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara
Present: Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

Also present: Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager; Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer; Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney; Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst.

REGULAR AGENDA (3:02 PM)

1. 20-054EC Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Ethics Commission Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 11, 2020.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Morales, seconded by Commissioner Shotwell, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

2. 20-055EC Recommendation to receive and file a report on local, county and state agencies and their capabilities as related to the enforcement of ethics laws.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Chair Wise spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Shotwell and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Chair Wise spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Shotwell and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fiedler and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maniquis, seconded by Commissioner Pollack, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

3. 20-056EC Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Ethics Commission Policy and Problems Ad Hoc Committee on the draft action plan.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

A dialogue ensued among Chair Wise, Commissioner Pollack, and Commissioner Shotwell.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Morales and Commissioner Pollack.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner De Benedictis and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shotwell, seconded by Commissioner De Benedictis, to approve recommendation.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

4. 20-057EC

Recommendation to reconsider the ad hoc committees established at the November 11, 2020 meeting, including consideration of available technology tools and public records matters.

Chair Wise spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Chair Wise spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Pollack and Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer, spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Morales and Commissioner Pollack.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Pollack and Commissioner Shotwell.

Chair Wise spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Rebecca Garner,
Administrative Deputy City Manager.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Maniquis spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Commissioner Maniquis spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Morales, seconded by Commissioner Shotwell, to approve recommendation as amended, to continue the Ad Hoc Policy and Problems Subcommittee as established on November 11, 2020; and replace the Ad Hoc Process, Investigation and Reporting Subcommittee with two Ad Hoc SubCommittees: a Values SubCommittee whose members are Chair Wise and Commissioner Fiedler; and a Code of Ethics and Ethics Definition SubCommittee whose members are Vice Chair Morales and Commissioner De Benedictis; these ad hoc subcommittee meetings will not be public meetings, but their reports and work product will be reported to the full Ethics Commission and made available for public review and comment as soon as practicable. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

5. 20-058EC

Recommendation to prepare and transmit an Annual Report regarding the activities of the Ethics Commission for 2020, with the assistance of staff.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Morales, seconded by Commissioner De Benedictis, to approve recommendation as amended, to direct the Chair and Vice Chair to prepare an annual report with the assistance of City staff for transmission to City Elected Officials and the media on the Ethics Commission activities for 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, J. P. Shotwell, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

6. 20-060EC eComments received for the Ethics Commission meeting of Wednesday, December 9, 2020.

This EC-Agenda Item was received and filed.

ETHICS COMMISSION STAFF COMMENTS (5:02 PM)

Rebecca Garner, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Special Projects Officer, spoke.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (5:06 PM)

Chair Wise spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (5:07 PM)

At 5:07 PM, there being no objection, Chair Wise declared the meeting adjourned.

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