# CITY OF LONG BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022 411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD CIVIC CHAMBERS, 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 & MINUTES**

# ETHICS COMMISSION IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL HYBRID MEETING PURSUANT TO AB 361 (GOV. CODE SECTION 54953(e)(1)-(2))

CALL TO ORDER (3:06 PM)

At 3:06 PM, Chair Wise called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (3:06 PM)

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

Also present: April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager; Julian Cernuda, Assistant to the City Manager; Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer; Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney; Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst.

Chair Wise made opening remarks.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA (3:07 PM)**

**1.** <u>22-030EC</u> Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Ethics Commission Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pollack, 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

# **2.** 21-033EC Recommendation to adopt resolution establishing an Ethics Commission Communications Policy.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Pollack and Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney.

Chair Wise spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Maniquis spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Morales, seconded by Commissioner Shotwell, to approve motion to request City Attorney to work with two Commissioners in an Ad Hoc Committee on the Ethics Commission Communication Policy and bring back an updated draft of the policy to the full Commission. 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

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

A motion was made by Chair Wise, seconded by Commissioner Pollack, to approve motion to establish an Ad Hoc Committee on the Ethics Commission Communication policy whose members are Commissioner Fiedler and Commissioner Shotwell. 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.** <u>22-031EC</u> Recommendation to receive and file an update on the Ethics Education Program.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Shotwell and Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner Maniquis spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Kimmy Maniquis, Barbara Pollack, Margo Morales and Susan Wise

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

## **4.** 22-032EC

Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the City of Long Beach Gift Disclosure Policies.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Pollack and Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued among Commissioner De Benedictis, Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, and Julian Cernuda, Assistant to the City Manager.

Chair Wise spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Wise and Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pollack, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, 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

#### **5.** 22-033EC

Recommendation to receive and file an update on the overview of City Manager departments, elected officials, and the Office of the City Clerk procurement and accounts payable policies.

April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Pollack and April Walker,

Administrative Deputy City Manager.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

A motion was made by Chair Wise, 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

#### **6.** 22-034EC

Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Ad Hoc Committee; and, if necessary, take any action to dissolve or create Ad Hoc Committees.

Commissioner Pollack spoke; and presented a report.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Vice Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

A motion was made by Chair Wise, seconded by Vice Chair Morales, to approve recommendation, as amended, to request the Ad Hoc Committee on Lobbyist Ordinance to continue reviewing Elected Official calendars and provide a final report at the Wednesday, June 8, 2022 Ethics Commission meeting and request staff to establish a meeting date for a Study Session at the end of June. 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

### **7.** 22-035EC

eComments and emails received for the Ethics Commission meeting of Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

## This EC-Agenda Item was received and filed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (4:56 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS (4:56 PM)**

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke.

Julian Cernuda, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Chair Wise spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Commissioner Maniquis spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

## **ADJOURNMENT (5:03 PM)**

At 5:03 PM, there being no objection, Chair Wise declared the meeting adjourned.

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