CITY OF LONG BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2023 411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD CIVIC CHAMBERS, 3:00 PM

Margo Morales, Chair Barbara A. Pollack, Vice Chair Raul Añorve, Commissioner Lani De Benedictis, Commissioner



Luke Fiedler, Commissioner J. P. Shotwell, Commissioner Susan Wise, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (3:07 PM)

At 3:07 PM, Chair Morales called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (3:13 PM)

Commissioners Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise,

Present: Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Commissioners J. P. Shotwell

Absent:

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; Vanessa Hall, City Clerk Specialist.

REGULAR AGENDA (3:07 PM)

1. 23-057EC Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Ethics Commission Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner De Benedictis, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

2. 23-058EC

Recommendation to discuss a strategic plan for the Ethics Commission.

Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Wise spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Morales and Commissioner Wise.

April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Añorve spoke.

Chair Morales spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner De Benedictis, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

3. 23-059EC

Recommendation to discuss amendments to the Conflict of Interest Code regarding the Long Beach Continuum of Care Board and Golf Advisory Committee.

Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Chair Morales spoke.

Vice Chair Pollack spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wise, seconded by Commissioner De Benedictis, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

4. 23-060EC

Recommendation to receive and file an update on an approach to gather additional community feedback and determine next steps for the Ad Hoc Committee on the Lobbyist Ordinance.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Commissioner Añorve spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

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

Commissioner Wise spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Añorve spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Morales and Commissioner Añorve.

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

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

5. 23-061EC

Recommendation to receive and file a monthly update from the Ethics Officer.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke; and presented the staff report.

Chair Morales spoke.

April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Wise spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Wise and April Walker, Administrative Deputy City Manager.

Chair Morales spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner De Benedictis, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

6. 23-062EC

Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Ad Hoc Committees; discuss anticipated Ad Hoc Committees for upcoming projects; and, if appropriate, take action to dissolve or create Ad Hoc Committees.

Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Raúl Añorve, Lani De Benedictis, Luke Fiedler, Susan Wise, Barbara Pollack and Margo Morales

Absent: 1 - J. P. Shotwell

7. 23-063EC

eComments and emails received for the Ethics Commission meeting of Wednesday, August 9, 2023.

This EC-Agenda Item was received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3:37 PM)

There was no public comment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (3:37 PM)

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT (3:38 PM)

At 3:38 PM, there being no objection, Chair Morales declared the meeting adjourned.

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