# CITY OF LONG BEACH PERSONNEL AND CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Gerrie Schipske, Chair Vice Mayor Bonnie Lowenthal, Interim Vice Chair Dee Andrews, Member



### CALL TO ORDER

At 2:08 P.M., Chair Schipske called the meeting to order.

### **ROLL CALL**

## **Councilmembers** Schipske, Andrews and B. Lowenthal **Present:**

Also present: Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney; Larry Herrera, City Clerk; Suzanne Mason, Director of Human Resources; and Gloria Harper, City Clerk Specialist.

Chair Schipske gave opening remarks and welcomed Councilman Andrews as the new member to the Committee.

Agenda Item #3 was considered at this time.

07-1179

Recommendation to City Council to concur in the recommendation of the Personnel and Civil Service Committee to: [1] adopt the "Authorities, Boards, Commissions, and Committees Handbook" dated February 19, 2008; [2] adopt the Personnel and Civil Service Committee practice of docketing agenda items relative to any Charter Commission nominee two weeks after the deliberations; and [3] request the Office of the Mayor to extend the validity of the Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees Application to two years from one year, for confirmation by the City Council.

Larry Herrera, City Clerk, spoke.

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A dialogue ensued.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

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Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney, spoke.

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Councilman Andrews spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney, spoke.

A motion was made by Member Andrews, seconded by Member B. Lowenthal, to approve the recommendation that the City Council adopt the proposed Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees Handbook dated January 15, 2008, specifying processes, requirements, and stakeholder responsibilities pertaining to application, nomination, appointment, enrollment, and membership on City of Long Beach citizen advisory boards. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Andrews and B. Lowenthal

No: 1 - Schipske

A motion was made by Member Andrews, seconded by Member B. Lowenthal, to approve the recommendation that the City Council consider requesting the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code that will provide for Personnel and Civil Service Committee review of nominations for appointment to all City Authorities, Boards, Commissions, and Committees. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Andrews and B. Lowenthal

No: 1 - Schipske

Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney, spoke.

Approve recommendation that the City Council consider requesting the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance that amends the Long Beach Municipal Code to provide for Mayoral removal of non-Charter Commission members consistent with the provisions of Charter Section 510. This motion failed due to lack of a second.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

A motion was made by Member B. Lowenthal, seconded by Member Andrews, approve recommendation that the City Council request the Office of the Mayor to extend the validity of a commission application to 2 years from 1 year. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Schipske, Andrews and B. Lowenthal

**1.** 08-0131 Recommendation to receive and file Affidavit of Posting Notice of Adjournment of the Personnel and Civil Service Meeting of January 22, 2008.

A motion was made by Member Andrews, seconded by Member B. Lowenthal, to receive and file the Affidavit of Posting Notice of Adjournment for Tuesday, January 22, 2008. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 3 - Schipske, Andrews and B. Lowenthal

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**2.** 08-0035 Recommendation to receive and file the Personnel and Civil Service Committee minutes for the meeting of Tuesday, January 8, 2008.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

Chair Schipske spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney, spoke.

A motion was made by Member Andrews, seconded by Member B. Lowenthal, to receive and file to receive and file the Personnel and Civil Service Committee minutes for the meeting of Tuesday, January 8, 2008. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Schipske, Andrews and B. Lowenthal

**3.** 07-1179 Recommendation to continue deliberations on the proposed "Authorities, Boards, Commissions, and Committees Handbook."

This agenda item was heard prior to Agenda Item #1

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Committee.

No members of the public addressed the committee at this time.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:50 P.M., there being no objection, Chair Schipske declared the meeting adjourned.