

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
ETHICS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022
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

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

CALL TO ORDER (3:05 PM)

At 3:05 PM, Chair Morales called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (3:05 PM)

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

Also present: Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer; Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney;
Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Analyst.

REGULAR AGENDA (3:05 PM)

1. 22-071EC Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Ethics Commission Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 14, 2022.

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2. 22-064EC Recommendation to reconsider the vote for Agenda Item No. 4 from the Wednesday, September 14, 2022, Ethics Commission meeting to send a thank you letter to the Mayor and City Council for their Fiscal Year 2023 Ethics Commission budget support.

Chair Morales spoke.

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

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

3. 22-063EC Recommendation to conduct a study session on the Commission's Disclosure Policy and the Disclosure Policy Benchmarking Report; and, if necessary, adopt resolution amending the Rules and Procedures of the Ethics Commission to include the Disclosure Policy.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke; and presented the report.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke; and continued the report.

Commissioner Wise spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fiedler and Commissioner Shotwell.

Vice Chair Pollack spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

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

Commissioner Wise spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

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

Chair Morales spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Añorve spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Shotwell and Commissioner Fiedler.

Chair Morales spoke.

Taylor Anderson, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Wise, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, to approve recommendation, as amended, to bring the item back at the Ethics Commission meeting of Wednesday, November 9, 2022, with the addition of the election policy and changes requested by the Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4. 22-072EC Recommendation to authorize Ethics Commissioners to speak at the City Council meeting on behalf of the Ethics Commission to support the amendment to the Long Beach Municipal Code to adopt a revised Code of Conduct and Ethics.

Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shotwell, seconded by Commissioner Fiedler, to approve recommendation, as amended, to authorize Vice Chair Pollack, Commissioner De Benedictis, and Commissioner Wise to speak at the City Council Meeting on behalf of the Ethics Commission to support the amendment to the Long Beach Municipal Code to adopt a revised Code of Conduct and Ethics. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

5. 22-073EC

Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the Ethics Commission website and provide recommendations for additional resources to add to the website.

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

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Vice Chair Pollack spoke.

Commissioner Wise spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Commissioner De Benedictis spoke.

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

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

6. 22-074EC Recommendation to receive and file an update on the Action Plan.

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

Chair Morales spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Vice Chair Pollack spoke.

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Chair Morales spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

A dialogue ensued among Chair Morales, Commissioner Shotwell, and Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer.

Commissioner Pollack spoke.

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

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

7. 22-075EC Recommendation to receive and file a monthly update from the Ethics Officer.

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

Commissioner Shotwell spoke.

Commissioner Wise spoke.

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

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

8. 22-076EC Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Ad Hoc Committees; and, if necessary, take appropriate action to dissolve or create Ad Hoc Committees.

Chair Morales spoke.

Commissioner Fiedler spoke.

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

9. 22-077EC eComments and emails received for the Ethics Commission meeting of Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

This EC-Agenda Item was received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT (4:13 PM)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (4:14 PM)

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT (4:14 PM)

At 4:14 PM, there being no objection, Chair Morales declared the meeting adjourned.

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