

March 10, 2021

HONORABLE ETHICS COMMISSION MEMBERS

City of Long Beach

California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to receive and file an update on the City of Long Beach Statement of Economic Interest Form 700 filers.

DISCUSSION

This report is intended to provide an update on the City of Long Beach (City) Statement of Economic Interest Form 700 filers for the 2020 cycle.

Background

The Statement of Economic Interest or Form 700 was first utilized when the Political Reform Act was created in 1974 when California voters approved Proposition 9. In the wake of the Watergate scandal, Californians wanted to reign in potential corruption by creating an agency to enforce the most rigorous restrictions on fundraising and lobbying in the Country. The Fair Political Practice Commission is the enforcement arm of the act.

Current Totals

The City is required by law to collect an annual filing from all active Form 700 positions starting January 1st and conclude no later than the 1st business day of April. The City currently maintains filings for 318 Board Members, 602 City Employees and 13 Elected Officials for a total of 933. For the 2019 Cycle, the Form 700 compliance rate was 99% and the yearly rate rarely falls below 90%. As of March 4, 2021, the compliance totals for the Board Members, City Employees and Elected Officials are:

Board Members Filed	51% (164 filers)
City Employees/Elected Officials Filed	69% (421 filers)
Total Filed	63% (585 filers)

Following the close of filing period, the Office of the City Clerk will bring back the final 2020 cycle compliance totals to the Commission.

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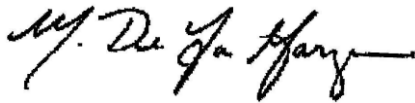
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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CITY CLERK

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