

BOARD OF ETHICS
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022, 5 P.M.
VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON MEETING
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTES

PRESENT: Vice Chair Keen, and Members DeMont, De Herrera, Foley, Foreman, Huerta, Newman, and Vega

ABSENT: Chair Stahovich

STAFF PRESENT: Donesia Gause and Susan Wilson

Vice Chair Keen convened the Board of Ethics meeting at 5:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no one wishing to address the Board.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Newman and seconded by Member Foley to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Stahovich absent.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 7, 2022, were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.78 CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT AND CHAPTER 2.80 BOARD OF ETHICS REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no new recommendations on Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 2.78 Code of Ethics and Conduct and Chapter 2.80 Board of Ethics.

REVIEW MASTER CALENDAR PENDING ITEMS AND DETERMINE ITEMS TO REPORT AND/OR DISCUSS WITH INCLUSIVENESS, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, AND GOVERNMENTAL PROCESSES COMMITTEE AND CITY COUNCIL AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Huerta and seconded by Member Foley to (1) remove items from the pending calendar; and (2) defer the review of the Master Calendar to newly established ad hoc committee. The motion carried with Chair Stahovich absent.

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW OF EXISTING RULES, LANGUAGE RECOMMENDED BY PREVIOUS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON VALIDATION PROCESS FOR APPOINTED AND ELECTED OFFICIALS TO VET POLICY PROPOSALS AND AMENDMENT OF COMPLAINT AFTER FILING, AND VALIDATION AND AMENDMENT TO CHART PRESENTED AT JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF ETHICS MEETING
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Huerta and seconded by Member Foley to (1) reaffirm the Board of Ethics recommendations as presented on October 7, 2021, regarding the amendment of a complaint after filing and (2) forward to the Inclusiveness, Community Engagement, and Governmental Processes Committee. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Stahovich absent.

AUTHORITY AND CONDITIONS FOR USE OF OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL IN LIEU OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ADVISE THE BOARD OF ETHICS
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Huerta and seconded by Member Newman to refer determining who and when actions can be taken to retain outside counsel to ad hoc committee.

CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT COMPLAINT HEARING PROCEDURES TRAINING
Following discussion and without formal motion, this item was continued to the next Board of Ethics meeting on June 2, 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS.

Member Huerta requested a standing item for Board Member Reports and Announcements be placed on the agenda and to bring back items that were not included in the previous ad hoc committee review.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk