

BOARD OF ETHICS  
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026, 6:00 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE

PRESENT: Chair Newman, Vice Chair Hernandez, Members Vega, Fanning, De Herrera, Perkins, and Thranow

STAFF PRESENT: Donesia Gause and Rahman Gerren

Chair Newman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Following discussion, it was moved by Member DeHerrera and seconded by Member Hernandez to nominate Jessica Newman as Chair. The motion carried, Members Hernandez, Vega, Fanning, De Herrera, Perkins and Thranow voting AYE and Chair Newman abstain.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Vega and seconded by Member DeHerrera to nominate Member Hernandez as Vice Chair. The motion carried, Members Newman, Hernandez, Vega, De Herrera, Perkins and Thranow voting AYE and Member Fanning abstain.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Henry Mireny spoke regarding upcoming election campaigns.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Vega and seconded by Chair Newman to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried, Members Newman, Hernandez, Vega, De Herrera, and Thranow voting AYE and Members Fanning and Perkins abstain.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 5, 2026, were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSED 2026 WORKPLAN AND FORM AD HOC COMMITTEES - CONTINUED

Following discussion, it was moved by Chair Newman and seconded by Vice Chair Hernandez to (1) approve the Board of Ethics 2026 Workplan and (2) continue the formation of the Ad Hoc Committees to the Board of Ethics

meeting in April. The motion carried, Members Newman Hernandez, DeHerrera and Vega voting Aye and Members Perkins, Thranow, and Fanning abstain.

#### REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEE FORMATION AND EVALUATION OF STANDING RULES AND HEARING RULES AND PROCEDURES - CONTINUED

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board continued the review of Ad Hoc Committee formation and evaluation of Standing Rules and Hearing Rules and Procedures to the Board of Ethics meeting in April.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

There were no updates reported on Public Education and Public Outreach. Vice Chair Hernandez reported a brief update on the potential ballot measure for consideration by the Charter Review Committee.

##### BOARD MEMBER UPDATES

No updates were reported.

##### STAFF UPDATES

City Clerk Donesia Gause provided an update on the request by Member DeHerrera regarding the dissolution of the Board of Ethics, as well as the email received inviting members to attend an upcoming Kiwanis meeting for an overview of the Board of Ethics. The Board approved Chair Newman and Vice Chair Hernandez to represent the Board at the upcoming Kiwanis meeting, with no objections noted.

##### ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY BOARD OF ETHICS

No items for future consideration were requested.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE  
City Clerk