

BOARD OF ETHICS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024, 5 P.M.
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE

MINUTES

PRESENT IN PERSON: Chair Vega, Vice Chair Newman, and Members DeHerrera, Foreman, Hernandez, and Dr. Benson

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Donesia Gause and Brandon Mercer

Chair Vega called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Member Foreman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no one wishing to address the Board.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 7, 2024, were approved as presented.

RECORD OF ABSENCE

The Board recorded the absence of Vice Chair Newman from the November 7, 2024, meeting as excused.

STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND DECISION - COMPLAINT BY RAMI RAY, AGAINST COUNCILMEMBER CONDER

The Board approved the Statement of Findings and Decision of the November 7, 2024, pre-conference regarding Code of Ethics and Conduct complaint by Rami Ray, against Councilmember Conder.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

AD HOC TO RESEARCH SUBPOENA POWER AND AUTHORITY TO COMPEL CITY EMPLOYEE/REPRESENTATIVE TO APPEAR AS WITNESS UPDATE

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board received updates on research relating to subpoena power and authority to compel City employee/representative to appear as witness for Board of Ethics hearings.

COMMUNICATIONS

BRIEF REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY BOARD MEMBER

There were no reports given at this time.

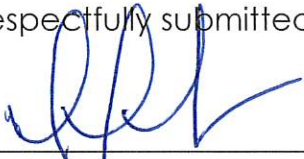
ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS

Member Hernandez requested research on subpoena power and authority to compel City employee/representative to appear as witness for Board of Ethics hearings on the January 2, 2025, agenda.

Member DeHerrera announced that she will be absent for the next Board of Ethics meeting on January 2, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Gause', written over a horizontal line.

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk