

BOARD OF ETHICS
HEARING PANEL
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017, 1 P.M.
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Tucker; Members Nelson, Macias, Stahovich, and Wright; and Alternate Huerta

ALSO PRESENT: Respondent Melendrez, Complainant Hunter, Colleen Nicol, Robert Hansen, and Councilmember Conder

Chair Tucker convened the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Aurora Chavez spoke regarding consequences for violation of the Code of Ethics and Conduct. Jason Hunter spoke regarding his complaint against Councilmember Melendrez.

DELIBERATIONS

Chair Tucker opened deliberations on the matter of Jason Hunter v. Councilmember Melendrez alleging violation of Section II.D. of Resolution No. 22461, which replaced Resolution No. 22318, by participating in decisions in closed session on July 22, 2014, only, regarding (1) the investigation of Councilmembers Soubirous and Davis, and/or (2) the decision to hold a hearing concerning Councilmember Soubirous.

Chair Tucker announced that as Councilmember Melendrez did not offer evidence or a closing argument, rebuttal arguments were not in order. Mr. Hunter offered a statement on specific evidence he would have discussed during rebuttal arguments as a result of questions answered when Councilmember Melendrez was being cross examined. Chair Tucker noted Mr. Hunter's statement and stipulated to seeing the remarks and evidence referenced as a rebuttal.

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Stahovich and seconded by Member Wright finding that Councilmember Melendrez did not violate Section II.D. of Resolution No. 22461, which replaced Resolution No. 22318, on July 22, 2014, as alleged in the complaint of Jason Hunter based upon all evidence presented at the hearing and after due consideration by the Hearing Panel. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



COLLEEN J. NICOL
City Clerk