CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT REVIEW AD HOC COMMITTEE MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015, 5:30 P.M. MAYOR'S CEREMONIAL ROOM

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Chair Blumenthal and Members Webb, Sayavong (Voting Alternate),

Macias, Barth (Voting Alternate), House, Zarate, Manning, and

Palacios

ABSENT:

Members Pacheco, Stahovich, Vaughn-Blakely, and Green

(Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Nicol, Robert Hansen, and Lorena Verdusco

Chair Blumenthal convened the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no oral communications from the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Member Manning and seconded by Member House to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 5, 2015, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF DRAFT RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Following discussion, and without formal motion, the Committee unanimously agreed that with respect to the annual review of the Code of Ethics and Conduct: (a) boards/commissions shall review the Code and forward comments to the Ethics Commission prior to July; (b) the Ethics Commission shall review the Code and forward comments to the Governmental Affairs Committee prior to August; (c) the Governmental Affairs Committee shall meet with the Ethics Commission and review the Code for its effectiveness and application and forward recommendations to the City Council prior to September; and (d) the City Council shall conduct a public hearing on the Code on or before December 31st of each year.

Chair Blumenthal requested Committee members review the draft Ordinance prepared by Assistant City Attorney Hansen and forward comments to the City Clerk for discussion at the next meeting. Suggestions and recommendations outside the scope of the Committee's work shall be included in the staff report to the City Council for consideration.

The Committee agreed, without objection, that the resolution will retain its "self-enforcing" provisions. The Ordinance will not be "self-enforcing" and the sanctions as set forth in

the resolution will be incorporated into the Ordinance. The enforcement and sanctions provisions will be rewritten to concur with the new structure of prohibited behaviors. There will be no monetary sanctions for violations of the Code included.

The City Clerk was requested to contact Member Pacheco and request him to commit to writing ideas on lobbying restrictions and a registration scheme for the Committee's consideration.

The City Clerk was requested to provide the draft Ordinance to all Committee members for review and request comments be forwarded to the City Clerk for discussion at the next meeting.

Assistant City Attorney Hansen requested discussion of prohibited behaviors at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

COLLEEN J. NICOL

City Clerk