



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MARCH 14, 2017

FROM: CHAMPAGNE FORD, CHAIR WARDS: ALL
BOARD OF ETHICS HEARING PANEL

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION AUDIO

ISSUE:

The Board of Ethics Hearing Panel in the matter of the Code of Ethics and Conduct complaint filed on December 27, 2016, by Jason Hunter against Councilmember Andy Melendrez requests the City Council consider waiving closed session privileges pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54963 and release to the Hearing Panel the recording of the closed session occurring on July 22, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider the request by the Board of Ethics Hearing Panel to (1) waive closed session privileges pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54963; and (2) direct the City Clerk to release the recording of the closed session occurring on July 22, 2014, to the Hearing Panel.

BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

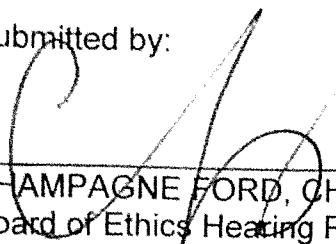
On February 10, 2017, the Board of Ethics Hearing Panel in the matter of the Code of Ethics and Conduct complaint filed on December 27, 2016, by Jason Hunter against Councilmember Andy Melendrez unanimously approved a request be made to the City Council to waive closed session privileges pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54963 and release to the Hearing Panel the recording of the closed session occurring on July 22, 2014.

The City's Records Retention Schedule provides for destruction of City Council closed session audio and minutes after two years. In compliance with the City's Records Retention Schedule, the July 22, 2014, City Council closed session audio, minutes, and any supporting documentation were destroyed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

Submitted by:



CHAMPAGNE FORD, CHAIR
Board of Ethics Hearing Panel