



## CITY OF RIVERSIDE CODE OF ETHICS

Board of Public Utilities  
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### CODE OF ETHICS ASPIRATIONAL VALUES

1. To strive to create a government that is trusted by everyone.
2. To strive to make decisions that are unbiased, fair, and honest.
3. To strive to ensure that everyone is treated with respect and in a just and fair manner.
4. To strive to create a community that affirms the value of diversity.



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## CODE OF ETHICS ASPIRATIONAL VALUES

5. To strive to ensure that all public decisions are well informed, independent, and in the best interests of the City of Riverside.
6. To strive to maintain a nonpartisan and civic minded local government.
7. To strive to ensure that all public officials are adequately prepared for the duties of their office.



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## CODE OF ETHICS ASPIRATIONAL VALUES

8. To strive to ensure that appointed members of boards, commissions and committees attend regularly scheduled meetings.



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## CODE OF ETHICS PROHIBITED CONDUCT

1. Use of Official Title or Position for Personal Gain Prohibited.
2. Use or Divulgence of Confidential or Privileged Information Prohibited.
3. Use of City Resources for Non-City Purposes Prohibited.
4. Advocacy of Private Interests of Third Parties in Certain Circumstances Prohibited.



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## CODE OF ETHICS PROHIBITED CONDUCT

5. Endorsements for Compensation Prohibited.
6. Violation of Government Code Sections 87100 et seq., Prohibited.
7. Certain Political Activity Prohibited.
8. Display of Campaign Materials in or on City Vehicles Prohibited.



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## CODE OF ETHICS PROHIBITED CONDUCT

- 9. Knowingly Assisting Another Public Official in Violating This Code of Ethics and Conduct Prohibited.
- 10. Negotiation for Employment with Any Party Having a Matter Pending Prohibited.
- 11. Ex Parte Contact in Quasi-Judicial Matters Prohibited.
- 12. Attempts to Coerce Official Duties Prohibited.



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## CODE OF ETHICS PROHIBITED CONDUCT

- 13. Violations of Federal, State, or Local Law Prohibited.



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## PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION

Appointed Officials of Boards, Commissions and Committees.

1. Referral to the Board, Commission or Committee of which the appointed official is a member for public censure; or
2. Public censure by the Mayor and City Council; or
3. Removal from office by a majority of the Mayor and City Council.



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## RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Public Utilities review, discuss, and make recommendations for revisions to the Code of Ethics and Conduct to be submitted to the Governmental Affairs Committee and the Board of Ethics for consideration.



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