

BOARD OF ETHICS HEARING PANEL
STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND DECISION

Complainant: Jason Hunter
Public Official: Councilwoman Plascencia
Alleged Violation Date: December 17, 2019
Hearing Panel Decision: Wednesday, April 14, 2021
Alleged Violations: Riverside Municipal Code Sections 2.78.060(D) Advocacy of private interests of third parties in certain circumstances prohibited and (M) Violations of federal, State, or local law prohibited

Hearing Panel Members Present: Chair Keen and Members Ford, Nelson, and Graham

Hearing Panel Member Absent: Member Newman

Findings and Decisions

Based upon all evidence presented and after due consideration, it was moved by Panel Member Nelson and seconded by Panel Member Ford finding that Councilwoman Plascencia violated **Riverside Municipal Code Section 2.78.060(M) Violations of federal, State, or local law prohibited** by failing to meet the Riverside Municipal Code Section 4.05.050(D)(2)(a) Excuse of Sunshine Notice Requirements because the need to take immediate action was not discussed or considered. The motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Panel Member Nelson and seconded by Panel Member Ford finding that Councilwoman Plascencia violated **Riverside Municipal Code Section 2.78.060(D) Advocacy of private interests of third parties in certain circumstances prohibited** by use of the union bug on the business card because the union logo certifies allegiance to a specific party. The motion carried unanimously.


EVA ARSEO
Assistant City Clerk

Dated this 21st day of April, 2021