

BOARD OF ETHICS HEARING PANEL
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2017, 11 A.M.
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Ford and Members Tucker, Stahovich, Nelson, Macias, and Wright (Alternate)

ABSENT: None

Chair Ford called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m., with all members present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Teresa Newham spoke regarding a complaint against Councilmember Soubirous, bias, public comments, and transcripts. Kevin Dawson spoke regarding transparency and broadcasting of the ethics hearing. Jason Hunter spoke regarding the code of ethics hearing, a transcript, and subpoenas.

CODE OF ETHICS COMPLAINT FILED BY JASON HUNTER AGAINST COUNCILMEMBER MELENDREZ - CONTINUED

Deputy City Clerk Roa administered the oath to Jason Hunter and Andy Melendrez.

Chair Ford called upon Complainant Jason Hunter to express technical or procedural issues relative to the Code of Ethics complaint he filed on December 27, 2016, against Councilmember Andy Melendrez. Mr. Hunter spoke regarding the audio from July 22, 2014, City Council meeting, video recording of the hearing, a conflict with the City Attorney serving as Counsel to the hearing panel, the need for a recusal policy for the hearing panel, Councilmember Davis investigation documents that were not received, and a request for subpoenas for closed session audio and all parties present in the closed session.

Chair Ford addressed Mr. Hunter's issues and requested the transcript of the July 22, 2014, City Council meeting for the item that relates to the complaint.

Chair Ford called upon Councilmember Andy Melendrez to express technical or procedural issues. Councilmember Melendrez stated there were no technical or procedural issues.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Member Nelson and seconded by Member Tucker to direct the City Clerk to prepare a transcript of the July 22, 2014, City Council meeting open session as it relates to the complaint. Motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion, a motion made by Member Nelson and seconded by Member Macias requesting the City Clerk agendaize at the next available City Council

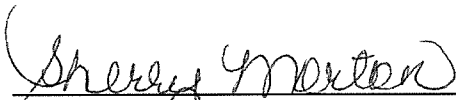
meeting a request for the City Council to produce the July 22, 2014, City Council closed session audio. Motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion, a motion was made by Member Nelson and seconded by Member Tucker requesting staff provide the scope of the contract and billing information with Leonard Gumport of Gumport Mastan regarding the Davis complaint. Motion carried with Chair Ford voting no.

Following further discussion, a motion was made by Member Stahovich and seconded by Member Nelson to continue the hearing to a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



SHERRY MORTON
Assistant City Clerk