

BOARD OF ETHICS  
THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2018, 5 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Huerta and Members Wright, Tucker, Ford, Nelson, Macias, and Stahovich (arrived at 5:09 p.m.)

ABSENT: Members Foley and House

STAFF PRESENT: Brandon Mercer and Colleen Nicol

Chair Huerta convened the Board of Ethics at 5 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no one present wishing to speak.

MINUTES

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Nelson and seconded by Member Tucker to approve the minutes of May 3, 2018, as presented. Motion carried with all ayes and Member Macias abstaining.

EXCUSAL OF ABSENCES

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Tucker and seconded by Member Nelson to excuse Members Macias and Stahovich from the May 3, 2018, meeting. Motion carried with all ayes and Member Macias abstaining.

REPORT ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

Chair Huerta reported that on June 6, 2018, the Governmental Affairs Committee unanimously recommended that the City Council amend Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 2.78 to further define the scope of examination of witnesses and presentation of rebuttal evidence as recommended by the Board of Ethics. The matter will be heard at the July 24, 2018, City Council meeting.

Member Stahovich arrived during the following item.

INITIATION OF COMPLAINTS AND PROCESS FOR COMPLAINTS FILED BY BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS

Chair Huerta reported on comments received during her recent presentation at a meeting of The Group. Following discussion, the Board unanimously concurred that the filing of complaints is the responsibility of individuals and is not the role of the Board of Ethics. In the event any individual member of the Board of Ethics files

an ethics complaint, they should recuse themselves from participation in the hearing. No formal action was required or taken.

REPORT OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES BY BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Huerta announced this will be a standing item on all agendas as an opportunity for members of the Board of Ethics to report on community meetings attended. No formal action was required or taken.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.78 CODE OF ETHICS AND CHAPTER 2.80 BOARD OF ETHICS

There were no comments on Chapters 2.78 Code of Ethics and Chapter 2.80 Board of Ethics.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS

Chair Huerta announced that the annual review of the Code of Ethics and Conduct will occur at the August meeting. There were no further future items requested.

The meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



COLLEEN J. NICOL  
City Clerk