

BOARD OF ETHICS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2019, 5 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTES

PRESENT: Members Foley, House, Macias, Stahovich, Thompson, and Nelson

ABSENT: Chair Huerta and Members Ford and Tucker

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Nicol and Brandon Mercer

Vice-Chair Nelson convened the meeting at 5 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no one present wishing to address the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Following discussion, it was moved by Member House and seconded by Member Foley to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 1, 2019, as presented. Motion carried with Members Macias and Stahovich abstaining.

EXCUSAL OF ABSENCES

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Foley and seconded by Member Thompson to excuse the absences of Erin House, Deborah Macias, and David Stahovich from the August 1, 2019, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

MARKETING MATERIALS REVIEW

The Board reviewed the marketing flyer prepared by staff incorporating the recommendations of the outreach subcommittee. Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board directed staff to (1) retain the general design, color scheme, and icons; (2) reduce the footprint of the core values; and (3) add above the core values near the duty to receive and review complaints of violations, where to find information on the complaint process and prohibited actions, or learn more about the Board of Ethics.

REPORTS ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

City Clerk Nicol reported on Chair Huerta's report to the City Council on October 1, 2019, during the annual public hearing on the effectiveness of the Code of Ethics and Conduct. Councilmember Perry recommended that the Board of Ethics (1) observe campaign activity generated by candidates and elected officials during the upcoming elections; and (2) consider alternatives to public censure of elected officials such as removal from committees, removal as committee chair, removal from representation on regional committees, and removal from mayor pro tempore rotation. These matters will be on the next agenda for discussion.

Vice Chair Nelson recommends members review information on the City of Oakland website relative to the Ethics Commission's oversight of elections for discussion at a future meeting.

REPORT OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES BY BOARD MEMBERS

There were no reports.

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

There were no comments on Riverside Municipal Code Chapters 2.78 Code of Ethics and Conduct and 2.80 Board of Ethics at this time.


ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION

Councilmember Perry's recommendations noted above and the City of Oakland Ethics board oversight of elections will appear on future agendas for discussion.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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COLLEEN J. NICOL  
City Clerk