

Agenda for Meeting of Thursday, February 10, 2005

Council Committee Meeting Room (12th Floor) 202 C Street, San Diego, CA

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NOTE: The public portion of the meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. The Ethics Commission will meet in Closed Session following the public portion of the meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

- Item 1: Call to Order.
- Item 2: Roll Call.
- Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes.

Approval of Commission Minutes of January 13, 2005.

- Item 4: Non-Agenda Public Comment.
- Item 5: Commissioner Comment.

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for Commissioners to make announcements or comments.

Item 6: Executive Director Comment.

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for the Executive Director to make announcements or comments.

Item 7: General Counsel Comment.

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for the Commission's General Counsel to make announcements or comments.

Item 8: Election Campaign Control Ordinance – Legal Defense Funds.

Discussion and possible action regarding various provisions in ECCO concerning legal defense funds.

Item 9: Election Campaign Control Ordinance – Credit Card Vendors.

Discussion and possible action regarding the reporting of vendors who process credit card transactions as "intermediaries."

Item 10: Proposed Amendments to Operating Policies.

Discussion and possible action regarding amendments to the Ethics Commission's Operating Policies to reflect the changes concerning the Commission's legal advisor pursuant to voter approval of Proposition E on the November 2004 ballot.

Item 11: Ethics Ordinance – Future Employment of City Officials.

Discussion and possible action regarding whether or not the provisions of San Diego Municipal Code section 27.3551 are intended to apply to situations in which City Officials are negotiating employment with other public agencies.

Item 12: Adjourn to Closed Session.

Adjournment to Closed Session to discuss the items listed in the Closed Session portion of the Agenda. The Commission will reconvene into Open Session following the conclusion of Closed Session in order to report any action taken during the closed session portion of the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Item 1: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(c) (3 potential matters). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider initiating a formal investigation against a person or persons who are alleged to have violated local ethics laws. Should an investigation be authorized, the identity of the person or persons being investigated will be available upon request only if and after a Draft Administrative Complaint is issued. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

Item 2: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(c). (5 potential matters). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, or status of an investigation, or the issuance of a subpoena or Draft Administrative Complaint, with regard to an enforcement action against a person or persons alleged to have violated local governmental ethics laws. Should the filing of a Draft Administrative Complaint be authorized, the identity of the Respondent or Respondents will be available after a Draft Administrative Complaint is issued and the matter is noticed for discussion as pending litigation. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

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