

Agenda for Meeting of Thursday, December 13, 2007

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 November 8, 2007.

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: Proposed Amendments to Election Campaign Control Ordinance.

Discussion and possible action regarding proposed changes to the Election Campaign Control Ordinance including presentations by Robert Stern of the Center for Governmental Studies, San Diego State University Assistant Professor Brian Adams, and a local coalition (comprised of Common Cause, Neighborhoods for Clean Elections, and Larry Remer) on public financing of City candidate elections.

Item 9: Adoption of Legislative Calendar for Calendar Year 2008.

Adoption of the 2008 Ethics Commission Legislative Calendar.

Item 10: Retention of Outside Counsel for Probable Cause and Administrative Hearings.

Discussion and possible action regarding the retention of outside counsel for the purpose of representing the Commission at the Probable Cause Hearing and Administrative Hearing in Case Nos. 2006-59 (In re: Luis Acle).

Item 10: 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) (14 potential matters). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, 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 issuance 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.

Item 2: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(c) (2 potential matters: Luis Acle, Case No. 2006-59, and Christopher Clifford, Case No. 2007-46). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, 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. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

Item 3: Personnel Matter – Evaluation of Performance.

In accordance with Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Ethics Commission will meet in closed session to evaluate the performance of Executive Director Stacey Fulhorst.

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COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes per speaker. Submit requests to speak to the Commission **prior** to the start of the meeting. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Commission on any issue brought forth under "Non-Agenda Comment" shall take no discussion or action, other than a referral.