

Agenda for Meeting of Thursday, March 8, 2012 5:00 p.m.

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

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#### **REGULAR MEETING**

Item 1: Call to Order

Item 2: Roll Call

Item 3: Approval of Commission Minutes

Approval of Commission Minutes of February 9, 2012.

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: Presentation of Final Audit Report Regarding the Felipe Hueso for City Council 2010 Committee

Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Audit Report presented by staff concerning the audit of the Felipe Hueso for City Council 2010 Committee.

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## Item 9: Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Proposed Amendments to Campaign Laws

Discussion and possible action concerning proposed amendments to the Election Campaign Control Ordinance, including amendments necessitated by the recent United States District Court ruling in the *Thalheimer* litigation.

## 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) (8 potential matters: Case Nos. 2011-78, 2012-07 through 2012-10, and 2012-12 through 2012-14). 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) (7 potential matters: 2011-76 and 2012-01 through 2012-06). 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 3: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(c) (1 potential matter: Dante Dayacap, Case No. 2008-79). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, status, issuance of a subpoena, scheduling of an Administrative Hearing, or other issue related to a pending enforcement action in which the probable cause determination has been waived by the Respondent. The nature and details of the allegations will be available upon request only if and after a Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

### Item 4: Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(c) (1 potential matter: B.D. Howard; Case No. 2010-42). The Ethics Commission may meet in closed session to consider the settlement, dismissal, status, issuance of a subpoena, or other issue related to a pending enforcement action that has been authorized for an administrative hearing in connection with alleged violations of local governmental ethics laws. The nature and details of the allegations will be available on the Commission's website when the Final Administrative Complaint is issued.

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