

CITY OF OAKLAND
PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION
One Frank Ogawa Plaza (City Hall)
Regular Commission Meeting
Teleconference
Wednesday Sept 14, 2022
6:30 p.m.

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Commissioners: Arvon Perteet (Chair), Ryan Micik (Vice-Chair), Charlotte Hill, Joseph Tuman and Francis Upton IV.

Commission Staff to attend: Kellie Johnson, Executive Director; Suzanne Doran, Lead Analyst; Ana Lara-Franco, Commission Assistant; Simon Russell, Investigator

City Attorney Staff: Trish Shafie, Deputy City Attorney

PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum.

The meeting was held via teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Members present: Hill, Micik, Upton and Tuman. Perteet was absent.

Staff present: Kellie Johnson, Ana Lara-Franco, and Simon Russell.

City Attorney Staff: Tricia Shafie

2. Staff and Commission Announcements.

There were no announcements.

3. Open Forum.

There were no public speakers

PRELIMINARY ACTION ITEMS

4. Virtual meetings by the Public Ethics Commission.

The Commission renewed Resolution 22-01, approved at the January 12, 2022 Regular meeting, establishing certain determinations to justify the ongoing need for virtual meetings following the California State Legislature's adoption and Governor's approval of AB 361 on September 16, 2021 (Chapter 165; Statutes of 2021).

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There were no public speakers.

Upton IV moved, and Hill seconded to approve the renewal of RESOLUTION NO. 22-01.

Ayes: Hill, Micik, Upton, Tuman

Noes: None

Absent: Perteet

Vote: Passed 4-0

ACTION ITEMS

5. Approval of Commission Meeting Draft Minutes.

a. August 10, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes

There were no public speakers.

Tuman moved, and Upton seconded to approve the August 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Ayes: Hill, Micik, Upton, Tuman.

Noes: None

Absent: Perteet

Vote: Passed 4-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Reports on Subcommittees and Commissioner Assignments.

a) Enforcement Subcommittee (*ad hoc*, created on November 1, 2021) – Arvon Perteet (Chair), Ryan Micik and Joseph Tuman.

Micik shared that the subcommittee met and discussed plans for commissioner to serve as hearing officers for upcoming hearings. Staff is preparing a training. A survey will go out to ask Commissioners to decide whether the training will be held live, hybrid, or recorded and if they choose to serve as hearing officers.

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b) Outreach Subcommittee (*ad hoc*, created on June 8, 2022) – Francis Upton IV (Chair), and Charlotte Hill

Upton shared that they met with staff in late August and went over the materials for the commissioner recruitment. Staff will prepare an outreach calendar for commissioners to sign up for different events throughout the City to share information about the PEC with the public.

There were no public speakers.

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Disclosure and Engagement.

Kellie Johnson, Executive Director, provided an overview of education, outreach, disclosure, and data illumination activities for this past month. She provided an update on the number of LPF candidates who opted into the program, there are now 7.

Ms. Johnson shared that it had to come to the attention of staff that a link in the disclosure report did not work. A call to correct the link was made.

There were no public speakers.

Micik moved, and Upton seconded to amend the report with the correct link.

Ayes: Hill, Micik, Upton, Tuman.

Noes: None

Absent: Perteet

Vote: Passed 4-0

8. Enforcement Program.

Ms. Johnson shared that Enforcement Investigator Simon Russell has been appointed to the position of acting Enforcement Chief and that job recruitment continues for the position of Enforcement Chief.

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Simon Russell, Acting Enforcement Chief, provided a monthly update on the Commission's enforcement work since the last regular Commission meeting.

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9. Executive Director's Report.

Ms. Johnson reported on overall projects, priorities, and significant activities since the Commission's last meeting.

The recruitment for the Enforcement Chief has opened and the deadline is September 30, 2022.

Nicole Neditch from the Communications Department answered questions from the Commissioners regarding the pec agenda subscriber's update.

There were no public speakers.

10. Future Meeting Business.

Commissioners and staff may propose topics for action or discussion at future Commission meetings.

Upton requested a discussion on providing self-service access to public records for the public, starting the focus on the Oakland Police Department.

There were no public speakers.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.