

NOTICE AND AGENDA Commission Meeting¹

California Fair Political Practices Commission 1102 Q Street, Suite 3050 Sacramento, CA 95811

Thursday, June 15, 2023 10:00 A.M.

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The Commission may take action on any item listed on this agenda.

Welcome

Richard C. Miadich, Chair

Public Comment

1. **Public Comment for Items not on Agenda**. During this comment period, any person is invited to speak on any topic that is not listed on this agenda. Action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on a future agenda. Those who wish to comment on an item that has been listed on this agenda may

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comment when that item has been opened for consideration by the Commission and before any action is taken.

Closed Session (12:30PM-1:00PM)

2. Closed Session. Discussion of Pending Litigation. (Gov. Code § 11126(e)(1)).

Approval of Commission Minutes

3. Approval of April 2023 Commission Hearing Minutes.

Consent Calendar 4-5

Items on the consent calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be removed from consent, in which case it will be discussed separately in the meeting.

Pre-Notice Defaults

- 4. In the Matter of Jose Pech; FPPC No. 19/1407. Staff: Jenna C. Rinehart, Commission Counsel and George Aradi, Special Investigator. Jose Pech, a former Housing Inspector for the City of Oxnard Housing Authority, participated in governmental decisions by inspecting and evaluating rental properties that had a reasonably foreseeable material financial effect on Pech's source of income financial interest, in violation of Government Code Section 87100 (2 counts). Additionally, Pech failed to timely file a Leaving Office Statement of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Section 87300 (1 count). Total Proposed Penalty: \$14,000.
- 5. In the Matter of Alcantar for City Council 2018, Elizabeth Alcantar, and Oscar Moreno; FPPC No. 18/1142. Staff: Jenna C. Rinehart, Commission Counsel and Roone Petersen, Special Investigator. Elizabeth Alcantar was a successful candidate for Cudahy City Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election. Alcantar for City Council 2018 is Alcantar's controlled committee. Oscar Moreno serves as the Committee's treasurer. Alcantar, as a candidate, failed to timely file a statement of intention prior to the solicitation and receipt of contributions, in violation of Government Code Section 85200 (1 count). The Committee, Alcantar, and Moreno failed to timely file an amendment to the Committee's statement of organization to report its date of qualification, in violation of Government Code Sections 84101 and 84103 (1 count); failed to timely file a 24-hour contribution report, in violation of Government Code Section 84203 (1 count); and failed to timely file six semi-annual campaign statements, in violation of Government Code Section 84200 (1 count). Additionally, Alcantar, as a city councilmember, failed to timely file two Statements of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Sections 87200 and 87203 and Regulation 18723 (1 count). Total Proposed Penalty: \$13,000.

General Items 6-13

6. **Winuk Advice Letter I-23-009.** Staff: Brian Lau, Assistant General Counsel. The Commission will receive and discuss information from staff regarding a recent informal advice letter provided to Palo Alto City Council Member Julie Lythcott-Haims, and may take action based upon the same.

Advice Letter – Winuk I-23-009 Comment Letter – Palo Alto Comment Letter – CPAA Comment Letter – CalCities Comment Letter – Kaufman Legal Group

7. Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18531; Return or Attribution of Excessive Contributions. Staff: Toren Lewis, Commission Counsel, Legal Division. Staff proposes amendments to Regulation 18531, Return of Excessive Contributions, interpreting and implementing Section 85319.5 as a result of the passage of SB 794 in 2022. The proposed amendments were presented for prenotice discussion at the March Commission meeting and are now presented for adoption by the Commission.

Staff Memo

Proposed Amendments to Regulations 18531

8. **Proposed Repeal, Adoption, and Amendment of Levine Act Regulations (18438-18438.8, 18705).** Staff: Kevin Cornwall, Senior Commission Counsel, Legal Division. Proposed new and amended regulations interpreting and implementing Section 84308 as the result of the passage of SB 1439 in 2022. Staff presents the regulations for adoption, following pre-notice discussion at the February Commission meeting, an Interested Persons meeting in April, and Law & Policy Committee meetings in May and June.

Staff Memo

Proposed Repeal to Regulation 18438.7

Proposed Adoption to Regulation 18438

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Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18438

Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18438.2

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Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18438.6

Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18438.8

Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18705

Comment Letter-City of San Diego

Comment Letter - The Sutton Law Firm

Comment Letter - California Political Attorneys Association

Comment Letter - LA County Metro Transportation Authority

Comment Letter- State Building and Construction Trades Council

Comment Letter- LA County Office of the County Counsel

Comment Letter- CA Common Cause

9. **Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18361.1.** Staff: Dave Bainbridge, General Counsel, Legal Division. The proposed amendments to Regulation 18361.1 would modify the administrative subpoena procedure by requiring Enforcement staff to wait 21-days after a voluntary request for records before issuing an administrative subpoena for those records. The

proposed amendments were presented for prenotice discussion at the April Commission meeting and are now presented for adoption by the Commission.

Staff Memo

Proposed Amendments to Regulations 18361.1

10. Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Disclose Act Regulations. Staff: Erika M. Boyd, Senior Counsel. Proposed amended regulations implementing changes to the Disclose Act as the result of the passage of SB 1360 in 2022, as well as proposed clarifying amendments. The proposed amendments were presented for prenotice discussion at the April Commission meeting and are now presented for adoption by the Commission.

Staff Memo

Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18402 Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18450.3 Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18450.4 Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18450.6 Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18450.8 Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18450.9

11. Legislative Update. Staff: Lindsey Nakano, Senior FPPC Legislative Counsel. The Commission will review and discuss potential sponsored and other legislation. The Commission may provide direction to staff regarding the same.

Legislative Update

12. Executive Staff Reports.

Enforcement Division. Christopher Burton, Acting Chief. Audits and Assistance Division. Shrdha Shah, Chief. Legal Division. David Bainbridge, General Counsel. Administration and Technology Division. Loressa Hon, Chief. Executive Director Update. Galena West, Executive Director.

Executive Staff Report

13. Commissioner Comments and Proposed Future Agenda Items.

Note: Although any Commissioner may identify a topic of interest, the Commission may not substantially discuss or take action on any matter raised during the meeting that is not included on this agenda, except to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Sections 11125 & 11125.7(a).)