



(Approved October 15, 2020)
CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
MINUTES OF HEARING, Public Session
September 17, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Miadich, Commissioner Cardenas, Commissioner Hatch, and
Commissioner Wilson

Staff Present: Galena West, Executive Director
Loressa Hon, Chief of Administration
Dave Bainbridge, General Counsel
Matthew Christy, Commission Counsel
Zachary Norton, Senior Commission Counsel
Jay Wierenga, Communications Director
Lindsey Nakano, Legislative Counsel
Sasha Linker, Commission Assistant

A. Call to Order.

Chair Miadich called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

B. Public Comment for Items not on Agenda.

C. Approval of August 2020 Commission Hearing Minutes.

MOTION: Approve the August 2020 meeting minutes. Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

D. Approval of Enforcement Consent Calendar.

Chair Miadich stated that Staff has pulled item 6 after receiving additional information to evaluate.

The item will return to the Commission in a future meeting.

MOTION: To approve the Enforcement Consent Calendar except for Item 6. Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Hatch. Motion approved 4-0.

E. Notice of Intent to Present Default Decision and Order at the October Commission Meeting.

F. Appointment of Vice Chair

MOTION: To appoint Commissioner Wilson as Vice Chair. Moved by Chair Miadich, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

G. Prenotice Discussion of Proposed Update of Commission Regulations Governing the Filing of Statements of Economic Interests.

Commissioner Wilson asked if someone would be able to search an official's name to find all the forms that they file on the FPPC website. Mr. Christy stated that someone would be able to see a single statement with all disclosure relevant to each position. Commissioner Wilson recommended once this is implemented to have a one-page fact sheet that local officials could refer to about the changes made.

H. Amendments to Regulation 18703 – Public Generally Exception.

Commissioner Wilson asked what prompted the need to adopt these regulations. Mr. Norton stated that this is due to feedback from the regulated community and from staff.

MOTION: Move to adopt Amendments to Regulation 18703. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Motion approved 4-0.

I. Legislative Update.

Lindsey Nakano, Legislative Counsel, stated that the AB 2151 has been enrolled, but there has not been any further status update. Staff determined the projected fiscal impact is less than previously projected.

MOTION: To remove the support position on SB 300. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

J. Legislative Development.

MOTION: To approve the 2021 legislative ideas. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

K. Committee Updates.

Chair Miadich stated that the Law and Policy meeting was held on September 9 and received an informative presentation from Patrick Ford, San Francisco Ethics Commission, on experiences with

behested payments. Chair Miadich and Commissioner Cardenas recommended in October to take up four matters: hear additional input on Enforcement Regulation, hear feedback from interested persons and stakeholders on streamline regulations, receive a follow up report on behested payments, and receive a legislative update if additional legislative information is available. Chair Miadich also suggested to consider changes to the Commission Code of Conduct.

L. Executive Staff Reports.

Loressa Hon, Chief of Administration, stated that over 400 filers have not filed their annual report, even after the filing deadline had been extended to June 1, and Staff are preparing to refer those cases to Enforcement for non-filer purposes.

M. Commissioner Comments and Proposed Future Agenda Items.

Commissioner Hatch mentioned the public comment from Steve Petzold regarding the stipulation in the matter of the College of the Canyons Foundation.

Chair Miadich stated that the stipulation is scheduled to come back in October. Galena West, Chief of Enforcement, stated that she is working to gather the information and evidence and could give an update on the stipulation in October.

N. Adjourn.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting. Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Hatch. Motion approved 4-0.

Meeting concluded at 11:43 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sasha Linker
Commission Assistant
Approved October 5, 2020

Richard C. Miadich, Chair
Fair Political Practices Commission