

FPPC Hearing Summary, March 20, 2025

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Below is a summary of the actions of the Fair Political Practices Commission during its monthly hearing. The meeting agenda can be found on our website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

Roll: Chair Silver and Commissioners Brandt, Ortiz, and Wilson were in attendance.

Item 1: Public comment for items not on agenda.

Item 2: Minutes from the February 2025 Commission Hearing. Approved 4-0.

Item 3: In the Matter of Lucia Gutierrez. FPPC No. 21/024. Staff: Alex Rose, Senior Commission Counsel and George Aradi, Special Investigator. Lucia Gutierrez is a former member of the Newark Unified School District Board of Education. Gutierrez violated the Act by negotiating, participating in, and ultimately making an employment contract between the District and herself, in violation of Government Code Section 1090 (1 count). Approved 4-0.

Item 4: Adoption of Proposed Regulation 18720; Annual Statements of Economic Interests; 2025 Filing Date Extension. Approved 4-0.

Item 5: Adoption of Proposed Repeal and Amendment of Levine Act (Section 84308) Regulations and Related Regulations (Amend 18360.1, 18438, 18438.2, 18438.4-18438.8, 18705; Repeal 18438.3). Approved 4-0.

Item 6: Regulation Projects and Schedule for 2025. Approved 4-0.

Item 7: Legislative Update. Commission voted to support (AB 359, AB 775, AB 808, AB 953, AB 1029, AB 1286, SB 280, and SB 852) 4-0.

Item 8: Executive Staff Reports. Accepted as submitted.

Item 9: Commissioner Comments and Proposed Future Agenda Items.