



City of San Marcos

Meeting Minutes

Ethics Review Commission

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

I. Call To Order

With a quorum present, the special meeting of the Ethics Review Commission was called to order by Chair Garcia at 5:31 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

II. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, and Commissioner Teehan. Commissioner Walden arrived at 5:33 p.m.

Absent: 0

Others Present: Lisa Marie Coppoletta, Jody Barr, KXAN, Loy Locke, Jordan Buckley, Stephanie Gates, and Terra Rivers

1. Executive Session under the authority of Section 2.444 of the San Marcos City Code to review Complaint 2020-8.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lollar, seconded by Commissioner Teehan, to enter into Executive Session at 5:38 p.m. to review Complaint 2020-8. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Teehan, and Commissioner Walden

Against: 0

The Commission returned from Executive Session at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lollar, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to have a brief recess to allow attendees to establish reconnection to the virtual meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Teehan, and Commissioner Walden

Against: 0

The Commission reconvened into Open Session at 6:47 p.m.

2. Action, as appropriate, on Complaint 2020-8.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lollar, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, this Commission determines Complaint 2020-8 is found in proper form and alleges sufficient facts to constitute a prima facie violation of a provision of this article or a state conflict of interest law and that we schedule a hearing on the complaint for February 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Teehan, and Commissioner Walden
Against: 0

3. Consider approval, by motion, of the November 10, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Teehan, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Teehan, and Commissioner Walden
Against: 0

4. Discuss and take action, as appropriate, on Citizen Comments submitted to ERC, including crafting procedures for responding to citizen correspondence.

This item was discussed and no action taken.

5. Discuss Citizen Comments submitted to ERC on August 12, 2020 by Lisa Marie Coppoletta and consider action as deemed appropriate by the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lollar, seconded by Commissioner Walden, to approve the response letter crafted this evening by the ERC and send it to Ms. Coppoletta. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Chair Garcia, Commissioner Lollar, Commissioner Rice, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Teehan, and Commissioner Walden
Against: 0

6. Discuss and take action, as appropriate, on the status of draft Resolutions sent to City Council.

This item was discussed and no action taken.

III. Discussion and Recommendations for Future Agenda Items

ERC special meeting on January 28, 2021:

- discuss and take action, as appropriate, on the status of draft Resolutions sent to Council
- discuss and take action, as appropriate, on preparations for the impending hearing on February 11, 2021

ERC regular meeting on March 9, 2021:

- discuss and take action, as appropriate, on the status of draft Resolutions sent to Council
- discuss and take action, as appropriate, on creating an informational video for the ethics violation complaint form, to be placed on the City's website

IV. Adjournment

The Special Meeting of the Ethics Review Commission meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



Michael Cosentino, Staff Liaison



for Lee Garcia, Chair