

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF ETHICS
OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

May 16, 2018

5:15 P.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Ethics (“BOE”) of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 5:19 p.m. in the Conference Room B-111, located at 276 Fourth Avenue, Building C, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Anthony Jemison; Victor Esquer; and Edgar Guerrero

ABSENT: Rosa Robles and Fernando Kish

STAFF PRESENT: Simon Silva, Deputy City Attorney (“DCA”); Marisa Aguayo, Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of February 22, 2018 Minutes

ACTION: Member Esquer made a motion to approve the February 22, 2018 minutes. Member Jemison seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 2-0

No: N/A

Abstain: Guerrero abstains due to a prior conflict. Guerrero has withdrawn as a candidate for elected office, but will continue to recuse himself on actions related to the selection of the current Campaign Contribution Enforcement Authority Panel.

2. Update on proposed Lobbying Ordinance, including review, discussion, and direction/action on proposed edits to proposed Lobbying Ordinance.

DCA Silva updated board members with respect to the proposed ordinance and changes. Board Member Esquer indicated that he was not supportive of changing the manner in which Lobbyist report meetings. He prefers the prior version (where all contacts are documented) as opposed to the proposal to use hourly increments to report amount of contacts. DCA Silva explained that the staff report can provide and discuss different proposals, including discussing Member Esquer’s concerns. Board Members also asked about

enforcement. After discussions, DCA Silva explained that he could draft language to allow the BOE to get Lobbyist registration records and make referrals to the Enforcement Authority.

ACTION: N/A

Yes: N/A

No: N/A

Abstain: N/A

3. Update on proposed changes to BOE Board Member selection process (to permit a panel of one BOE member and one Chatter Review Commission member to interview and recommend applicants).

Simon Silva updated board members with respect to BOE Board Member selection process.

ACTION: N/A

Yes: N/A

No: N/A

Abstain: N/A

OTHER BUSINESS

1. STAFF COMMENTS – Glad we are meeting. It has been a while. Didn't have much past months. But would like to schedule meeting at least once a quarter to see what is going on in the city. Next meeting will add additional duties such as a review of lobbying documents.
2. CHAIR'S COMMENTS – If I can offer encouragement or advise in terms of commission being relevant. During first term of mine there were several cases or allegations that were brought forward and we were busy for a while but once they were resolved, it was quite a bit of period that we did not meet at all. So, if there are other things that we could collectively do, let's get those things on our plate so we can be relevant and take a look at the documentation with the lobbying ordinance. It is great as long as it gives the commission something to sink its teeth into, keep busy, active and relevant, and it has an impact.
3. COMMISSIONERS'/BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS – Esquer – No complaints coming in. Guerrero – agrees with everything and would like to meet at least once a quarter to keep up with city.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on June 20, 2018.


Marisa Aguayo, Legal Secretary