

Regular Meeting Agenda

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Wednesday, December 15, 2021
9:30 a.m.

In light of Government Code sections 54953(e)(1) and 54953(e)(3), the Governor's Executive Order N-21-21 (November 10, 2021), concerns over Covid-19, and the commissioner determinations on November 18, 2021, this meeting will be accessible telephonically.

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Opening Items

1. Call to order.
2. Multiple agenda item comment.
All public comment will be taken at this time for agenda items and for issues that are not on the agenda but are within the Ethics Commission's jurisdiction. THIS WILL BE THE ONLY OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS MEETING. If a speaker is not addressing matters within the Ethics Commission's jurisdiction, the speaker will be asked to conclude.
3. Approval of [minutes](#) for the meeting on October 20, 2021.
4. Approval of [minutes](#) for the meeting on November 18, 2021.
5. Possible discussion with authorized neighborhood council representatives.
An authorized neighborhood council representative may discuss that neighborhood council's resolution or community impact statement if it has been filed with the City Clerk and relates to an item on this agenda. The authorized neighborhood council representative shall provide a copy of the resolution or community impact statement.

Action Items

6. [Proposed stipulation](#) in Case No. 2021-09, *In the Matter of Athena Novak and AHN & Associates, LLC* (alleged failures to register and report lobbying activity).
7. [Professional services agreement](#) with LASR, LLC dba First Records Retrieval.
8. [2022 regular meeting schedule](#).

9. Creation of ad hoc subcommittee to explore and make recommendations on possible reforms of the Ethics Commission, including but not limited to possible Charter amendments.

10. Findings to continue teleconference meetings pursuant to AB 361.

Determination that the state of emergency due to the Covid-19 pandemic, as originally proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, remains active; that, consistent with findings made by the City Council on October 6, 2021, the Covid-19 pandemic remains a significant challenge in the City of Los Angeles, particularly in light of the highly contagious delta variant and the new omicron variant; that Covid-19 daily cases and community transmission remain high and, according to health experts, are likely to increase during the coming months because respiratory viruses spread more easily in the fall and winter months; that local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and that, in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e)(3), the Ethics Commission has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and determines that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the commissioners to meet safely in person.

Information Items

11. Update from ad hoc subcommittee on the Municipal Lobbying Ordinance review.

12. [Election update](#) (regular 2022 City and LAUSD elections).

13. [Lobbying summary](#) (3rd quarter 2021).

14. [Recusal summary](#) (3rd quarter 2021).

15. [Pre-confirmation statements of economic interests](#).

16. [Policy and legislation update](#).

17. [Executive director's report](#).

Closing Items

18. Commissioner announcements and requests to schedule items on future agendas.

19. Adjournment.

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