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## *Minutes of the Meeting on April 16, 2019*

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### **OPENING ITEMS**

#### **1. Call to Order.**

Murray called the Ethics Commission meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Present: President Melinda Murray  
Vice President Andrea Sheridan Ordin  
Commissioner Araceli Campos  
Commissioner Shedrick Davis

Absent: None

#### **2. Approval of minutes for the meeting on February 19, 2019.**

Campos moved to approve the minutes, and Ordin seconded. The minutes were approved 4-0.

#### **3. Possible discussion with authorized neighborhood council representatives.**

No neighborhood council resolutions or community impact statements were submitted or discussed.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **4. Proposed stipulation in Case No. 2017-12, *In the Matter of Angelenos for Safe Transportation PAC Sponsored by L.A. Taxi Cooperative, Inc. and South Bay Cooperative, Inc. and Marco Soto* (alleged failure to include disclaimers in independent expenditure communications).**

Ordin recused herself and left the room.

Staff recommended approving a stipulated order imposing administrative penalties of \$5,000.

Public comment was received from Rob Quan.

Action: Davis moved to approve the order, and Campos seconded. The order was approved 3-0.

Ordin returned to the room.

**5. Review of recusals by Mel Levine, the president of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners.**

Staff provided an analysis of the financial interests that led to a Charter § 707 recusal review for President Levine and recommended finding that the conflict is not significant at this time.

No public comment was received.

Action: Ordin moved to adopt a resolution finding that a significant conflict does not exist at this time, and Davis seconded. The resolution was adopted 4-0.

**6. Review of recusals by Pedram Salimpour, a member of the Fire and Police Pensions Board.**

Staff provided an analysis of the financial interests that led to a Charter § 707 recusal review for Commissioner Salimpour and recommended finding that the conflict is not significant at this time.

No public comment was received.

Action: Ordin moved to adopt a resolution finding that a significant conflict does not exist at this time, and Davis seconded. The resolution was adopted 4-0.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**7. Election Update (special 2019 City and LAUSD elections and regular 2020 City and LAUSD elections).**

The staff report was received and filed.

Public comment was received from Quyen Tu.

**8. Lobbying Summary (4th quarter 2018).**

The staff report was received and filed.

No public comment was received.

**9. Pre-confirmation statements of economic interests.**

The staff report was received and filed.

No public comment was received.

**10. Policy and legislation update.**

Staff provided an update on the status of existing legislative and policy projects and an anticipated time line for upcoming projects.

No public comment was received.

**11. Executive director's report.**

The staff report was received and filed.

No public comment was received.

**CLOSING ITEMS**

**12. General public comment.**

No general public comment was received.

**13. Announcements and requests to schedule items on future agendas.**

No announcements or requests for future items were made.

**14. Adjournment.**

Murray adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

*A complete recording of this meeting, excluding closed sessions, is on file as a public record and may be accessed at [ethics.lacity.org](http://ethics.lacity.org).*