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## *Minutes of the Meeting on October 20, 2021*

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### **OPENING ITEMS**

Davis shared instructions for listening to and providing public comment during the meeting.

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

Davis called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Present: President Shedrick Davis  
Vice President Jeffery Daar  
Commissioner Laura Genao  
Commissioner Manjusha Kulkarni  
Commissioner Melinda Murray

#### **2. Multiple agenda item comment.**

Eric Preven provided comment on Items 5, 6, 8, and 9.

#### **3. Approval of minutes for the meeting on August 18, 2021.**

Murray moved to approve the minutes, and Daar seconded. The minutes were approved 5-0, with Genao abstaining.

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

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

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **5. Proposed stipulation in Case No. 2020-09, *In the Matter of Steve S. Kim and GSD22 Partners Corporation* (alleged failures to register and report lobbying activities).**

Staff recommended approving a stipulated order imposing administrative penalties totaling \$7,500.

Action: Murray moved to approve the stipulation, and Genao seconded. The stipulation was approved 5-0.

**6. Proposed stipulations in Case No. 2021-08, *In the Matter of JCI Worldwide, Inc. and Seth Jacobson*, and Case No. 2021-11, *In the Matter of Steven Crosby and Crosby Consulting* (alleged failures to register and report lobbying activities).**

Staff recommended approving a stipulated order imposing administrative penalties totaling \$65,000 against JCI and Jacobson and a stipulated order imposing administrative penalties totaling \$32,500 against Crosby and Crosby Consulting.

Action: Daar moved to approve both stipulations, and Kulkarni seconded. The stipulations were approved 5-0.

**7. 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.

Action: Murray moved to adopt a resolution finding that a significant conflict does not exist at this time, and Genao seconded. The resolution was adopted 5-0.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**8. Election update (regular 2022 City and LAUSD elections).**

Staff summarized information reported to date for the 2022 elections.

**9. Lobbying summary (2nd quarter 2021).**

Staff summarized information reported by lobbying entities and major filers for the second quarter of 2021.

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

Staff summarized pre-confirmation statements of economic interests submitted since the last meeting.

**11. Policy and legislation update.**

Staff provided an update on policy and legislative developments since the last meeting, including possible state regulations regarding behested payments.

**12. Executive director's report.**

The Executive Director introduced new staff member Willie Jones, III; highlighted the release of new publications, including an interactive online lobbying dashboard; and noted the beginning of the budget process for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

## **CLOSING ITEMS**

### **13. Commissioner announcements and requests to schedule items on future agendas.**

No announcements or requests were made.

### **14. Adjournment.**

Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

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