

# City of San José Ethics Commission

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AGENDA May 13, 2015

San José City Hall Wing – Room 262

- I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day
- II. Closed Session None

## III. Hearings

5:30 p.m.

- A. Continuation of hearing on Complaint filed by Karin Cogbill on March 2, 2015, alleging violations of San José Municipal Code by Manh Nguyen for San José Council D4 2015 (Independent Investigator/Evaluator)
- B. <u>Hearing on Complaint filed by Duc Lam on March 27, 2015, alleging violation of</u> Title 12.06.040 of the San Josè Municipal Code by Tho Tan Nguyen, Barry H. Do and Thien L. Huynh (Independent Investigator/Evaluator)

  <u>Response from Respondents Do, Nguyen and Huynh</u>

### IV. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve the Minutes of March 25, 2015 Special Meeting
- B. Approve the Minutes of April 8, 2015 Regular Meeting

## V. Reports

- A. Chair
- B. City Attorney
  - 1. Legislative update
- C. City Clerk
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  - 2. Status of compliance with Commission resolutions
  - 3. Status report on filings (Form 700, Campaign Statements, Lobbyists)
  - 4. Elections update
- D. Investigator/Evaluator

#### VI. Old Business

- A. Presentations, discussion, review, and action regarding submittals received in response to Request for Qualifications for Evaluator/Investigator (City Clerk)
  - 1. Renne Sloan Holtzman Sakai LLP
  - 2. Hanson Bridgett
  - 3. Law Offices of Gary S. Winuk

Response to Commissioner Gonzales' Records Request

## TO BE HEARD NO EARLIER THAN 6:30 P.M.

B. Ethics Commission ad hoc Subcommittee update (City Clerk)

## VII. New Business

- A. Discussion and possible action on email from Lan Diep dated April 8, 2015.
- B. Discussion and possible action on Ethics Commission's 2015 Work Plan and 2014 Annual Report. (Chair) *Deferred to June 10, 2015*
- **VIII. Public Comment** (Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission).

## IX. Future Agenda Items

- Identification/prioritization of concerns regarding campaign and ethics regulations and policies
- Gift Ordinance and FAQs
- Open Government Training

## X. Adjournment

The next regular meeting is June 10, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, Tower Room 1446, pending coordination of a Special Meeting if needed.

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On occasion the Commission may consider agenda items out of order.

The Ethics Commission meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted. If you have any questions, please direct them to the Commission staff. Thank you for taking the time to attend today's meeting. We look forward to seeing you at future meetings.

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