

Commission Membership: Victor Ochoa (Chair), Alden Mudge (Vice-Chair), Barbara Newcombe, Peter Reinke, Patrick O'Hern, Lily Kimura, Jon Sylvester

Staff Members: Commission Staff:
Daniel Purnell, Executive Director
Judith Silverman, Executive Assistant
City Attorney Representative:
Mark Morodomi, Deputy City Attorney

MINUTES OF MEETING

A. Roll Call And Determination Of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.

Members present: Commissioners Ochoa, Reinke, Newcombe, Mudge, Kimura, and Sylvester

Members excused: Commissioners O'Hern

Staff present: Daniel D. Purnell, Executive Director
Mark Morodomi, Deputy City Attorney

B. Approval of Draft Minutes of the Meeting of March 3, 2003

The Commission members moved, seconded and approved a motion to adopt the draft minutes of the Meeting of March 3, 2003. (Ayes: All)

C. Open Forum

There were four speakers: Sanjiv Handa, Ralph Kanz, David Mix, John Klein

D. A Report And Action To Be Taken Regarding A Proposal To Regulate False Endorsements In Campaign Literature

The Commission moved, seconded and approved a motion to forward the proposed False Endorsement Ordinance to the Oakland City Council with a recommendation that the ordinance be adopted. The Commission directed staff to delete proposed language creating an express exemption for periodicals publishing a false endorsement and extended the period during which the ordinance would apply to 45 days before an election. (Ayes: All.)

There were four speakers: Sanjiv Handa, Ralph Kanz, David Mix, John Klein

E. Discussion And Direction To Staff Regarding Analysis Of The Limited Public Financing Program During The March, 2002, And November, 2002, Election

The Commission took public comment and directed staff to prepare specific language to be considered at the May 5, 2003, Commission meeting for implementing possible amendments to the Limited Financing Ordinance. (Ayes: All.)

There were three speakers: Sanjiv Handa, Ralph Kanz, John Klein

F. Discussion And Action To Be Taken Regarding Draft Commission Annual Report 2002

The Commission members moved, seconded and approved a motion to adopt the Annual Report subject to minor editing by the Executive Director. (Ayes: All.)

There was one speaker: Sanjiv Handa

G. Discussion And Direction To Staff From April 5, 2003, Commission Meeting On Organizational And Policy Goals

The Commission discussed and received public comment on items discussed at the Commission retreat held on April 5, 2003. The Commission directed staff to prepare for future Commission consideration proposals relating to Commission organization, educational presentations, an index of past Commission complaints, and an attempt to modify the Commission's general complaint procedures. (Ayes: All.)

There were two speakers: Sanjiv Handa, David Mix

H. Commissioner And Staff Oral Reports and Announcements

Executive Director Purnell reported that the City Council will be taking up the proposed amendments to the Sunshine Ordinance at its meeting of April 15, 2003. He reported that the Commission received notice from the Fair Political Practices Commission that it would not be pursuing any further action in the matter of Melanie Sweeney Griffen (PEC Complaint No. 02-06). He reported efforts are underway to re-draft the Commission's guide "How To Notice A Public Meeting" in light of anticipated changes to the Oakland Sunshine Ordinance.

1. Next Meeting Of The Public Ethics Commission is May 5, 2003.

There was one speaker: Sanjiv Handa

I. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.