CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

FROM: Michelle Tse, Senior Management Analyst MST

DATE: August 11, 2015

SUBJECT: 2015 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

ATTACHMENT: 1. 2015 Conflict of Interest Code

State Law requires that each local agency review its Conflict of Interest Code annually.

The City Clerk's Office has provided staff with the attached documents for the Commission - A letter to the Public Works Commission Chair, a copy of the Conflict of Interest Code and Exhibits "A" and "B," – for the Commission's review. Each Commission member is to receive a copy of the Code and Exhibits and the matter is placed on the Commission agenda for review or comments.

If the Commission has changes to the Code, the Commission Chair is asked to sign the attached "Amendments" page and return it with the changes to the City Clerk's Office. The City Clerk's Office will submit the changes to the City Council for approval. If the Commission has no change to the Code, the Chair is to sign the attached "Statement of Review" page and return it to the City Clerk's Office. **The "Amendments or "Statement of Review" page must be received by the City Clerk's Office on or before Friday, September 25, 2015.**

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

July 6, 2015

TO: Ron Shalowitz, Public Works Commission Chair

FROM: Byron Pope, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Conflict of Interest Code

The State Government Code requires that each local agency that has adopted a Conflict of Interest Code review its Code every year.

Please review the attached Conflict of Interest Code for your Commission, mark the necessary changes if there are any, and sign the "Amendments" page. The City Clerk's Office will then submit the changes to the City Council for approval.

If you do not have any changes, please complete, sign, and date the "Statement of Review" page.

Please return the signed "Amendments" or "Statement of Review" page to the City Clerk's Office by Friday, September 25, 2015.

BYRON POPE, MMC

Attachments

AMENDMENTS TO THE

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

OF THE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

The agency designated above hereby submits the following changes to the Public Works Commission's Conflict of Interest Code to the code reviewing body, the City Council of the City of Beverly Hills.

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Chairperson's Signature

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Title-Official Capacity

Received on behalf of the City Council of the City of Beverly Hills:

Date:_____

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City Clerk

The attached changes to the Commission's Conflict of Interest Code, having been submitted by the agency designated above, was approved by order of the City Council of the City of Beverly Hills on _____.

Other action, if any:

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Signature

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Official Capacity

STATEMENT OF REVIEW

I am the Chair of the _____

Commission. I have reviewed the Conflict of Interest Code adopted for this Commission and state that no amendments are required.

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Print Name and Sign Above Printed Name

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Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE FOR THE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

The Political Reform Act, Government Code Sections 81000, et seq., requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate Conflict of Interest Codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation, California Code of Regulations Section 18730 of Title 2, which contains the terms of a model Conflict of Interest Code, which can be incorporated by reference, and which may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act after public notice and hearings.

Therefore, the terms of California Code of Regulations Section 18730 of Title 2, attached as Exhibit "A," and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission, except Section 4 which is established as set forth below, are hereby incorporated by reference and, along with the attached Exhibit "B" in which employees and others are designated and disclosure categories are set forth, constitute the Conflict of Interest Code of the above-named Commission of the City of Beverly Hills.

Section 4 is hereby established to require that all designated employees and others designated in Exhibit "A" attached shall file statements of economic interests with the filing officer, who is the City Clerk. The filing officer shall retain the original and forward a synopsis of the reports to the code reviewing body, who is the City Council.

EXHIBIT "A"

Model Conflict of Interest Code

California Code of Regulations Section 18730 of Title 2

EXHIBIT "A"

(Regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission, Title 2, Division 6, California Code of Regulations.)

§ 18730. Provisions of Conflict of Interest Codes.

(a) Incorporation by reference of the terms of this regulation along with the designation of employees and the formulation of disclosure categories in the Appendix referred to below constitute the adoption and promulgation of a conflict of interest code within the meaning of Government Code section 87300 or the amendment of a conflict of interest code within the meaning of Government Code section 87306 if the terms of this regulation are substituted for terms of a conflict of interest code already in effect. A code so amended or adopted and promulgated requires the reporting of reportable items in a manner substantially equivalent to the requirements of article 2 of chapter 7 of the Political Reform Act, Government Code sections 81000, et seq. The requirements of a conflict of interest code are in addition to other requirements of the Political Reform Act, such as the general prohibition against conflicts of interest contained in Government Code section 87100, and to other state or local laws pertaining to conflicts of interest.

(b) The terms of a conflict of interest code amended or adopted and promulgated pursuant to this regulation are as follows:

(1) Section 1. Definitions.

The definitions contained in the Political Reform Act of 1974, regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission (2 Cal. Code of Regs. sections 18110, et seq.), and any amendments to the Act or regulations, are incorporated by reference into this conflict of interest code.

(2) Section 2. Designated Employees.

Such persons are covered by this code for disqualification purposes only. With respect to all other designated employees, the disclosure categories set forth in the Appendix specify which kinds of economic interests are reportable. Such a designated employee shall disclose in his or her statement of economic interests those economic interests he or she has which are of the kind described in the disclosure categories to which he or she is assigned in the Appendix. It has been determined that the economic interests set forth in a designated employee's disclosure categories are the kinds of economic interests which he or she foreseeably can affect materially through the conduct of his or her office.

(4) Section 4. Statements of Economic Interests: Place of Filing.

The code reviewing body shall instruct all designated employees within its code to file statements of economic interests with the agency or with the code reviewing body, as provided by the code reviewing body in the agency's conflict of interest code.[2]

(5) Section 5. Statements of Economic Interests: Time of Filing.

(A) Initial Statements. All designated employees employed by the agency on the effective date of this code, as originally adopted, promulgated and approved by the code reviewing body, shall file statements within 30 days after the effective date of this code. Thereafter, each person already in a position when it is designated by an amendment to this code shall file an initial statement within 30 days after the effective date of the amendment.

(B) Assuming Office Statements. All persons assuming designated positions after the

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Code section 81004.

[2] See Government Code section 81010 and 2 Cal. Code of Regs. section 18115 for the duties of filing officers and persons in agencies who make and retain copies of statements and forward the originals to the filing officer.

business positions held on the effective date of the code and income received during the 12 months prior to the effective date of the code.

(B) Contents of Assuming Office Statements.

Assuming office statements shall disclose any reportable investments, interests in real property and business positions held on the date of assuming office or, if subject to State Senate confirmation or appointment, on the date of nomination, and income received during the 12 months prior to the date of assuming office or the date of being appointed or nominated, respectively.

(C) Contents of Annual Statements. Annual statements shall disclose any reportable investments, interests in real property, income and business positions held or received during the previous calendar year provided, however, that the period covered by an employee's first annual statement shall begin on the effective date of the code or the date of assuming office whichever is later, or for a board or commission member subject to Government Code section 87302.6, the day after the closing date of the most recent statement filed by the member pursuant to 2 Cal. Code Regs. section 18754.

(D) Contents of Leaving Office Statements.

Leaving office statements shall disclose reportable investments, interests in real property, income and business positions held or received during the period between the closing date of the last statement filed and the date of leaving office.

(7) Section 7. Manner of Reporting.

Statements of economic interests shall be made on forms prescribed by the Fair Political Practices Commission and supplied by the agency, and shall contain the following information:

(A) Investment and Real Property Disclosure.

general description of the business activity, if any, of each source;

2. A statement whether the aggregate value of income from each source, or in the case of a loan, the highest amount owed to each source, was one thousand dollars ($1,000) or less, greater than one thousand dollars ($1,000), greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or greater than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000);

3. A description of the consideration, if any, for which the income was received;

4. In the case of a gift, the name, address and business activity of the donor and any intermediary through which the gift was made; a description of the gift; the amount or value of the gift; and the date on which the gift was received;

5. In the case of a loan, the annual interest rate and the security, if any, given for the loan and the term of the loan.

(C) Business Entity Income Disclosure. When income of a business entity, including income of a sole proprietorship, is required to be reported,[6] the statement shall contain:

1. The name, address, and a general description of the business activity of the business entity;

2. The name of every person from whom the business entity received payments if the filer's pro rata share of gross receipts from such person was equal to or greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(D) Business Position Disclosure. When business positions are required to be reported, a

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[6] Income of a business entity is reportable if the direct, indirect or beneficial interest of the filer and the filer's spouse in the business entity aggregates a 10 percent or greater interest. In addition, the disclosure of persons who are clients or customers of a business entity is required only if the clients or customers are within one of the disclosure categories of the filer.

of income or gifts from that source on his or her statement of economic interests. This section shall not apply to any part-time member of the governing board of any public institution of higher education, unless the member is also an elected official.

Subdivisions (e), (f), and (g) of Government Code section 89503 shall apply to the prohibitions in this section.

(8.2) Section 8.2. Loans to Public Officials.

(A) No elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of his or her election to office through the date that he or she vacates office, receive a personal loan from any officer, employee, member, or consultant of the state or local government agency in which the elected officer holds office or over which the elected officer's agency has direction and control.

(B) No public official who is exempt from the state civil service system pursuant to subdivisions (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) of Section 4 of Article VII of the Constitution shall, while he or she holds office, receive a personal loan from any officer, employee, member, or consultant of the state or local government agency in which the public official holds office or over which the public official's agency has direction and control. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made to a public official whose duties are solely secretarial, clerical, or manual.

(C) No elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of his or her election to office through the date that he or she vacates office, receive a personal loan from any person who has a contract with the state or local government agency to which that elected officer has been elected or over which that elected officer's agency has direction and control. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made by banks or other financial institutions or to any indebtedness created as part of a retail installment or credit card transaction, if the loan is made

(A) Except as set forth in subdivision (B), no elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of his or her election to office through the date he or she vacates office, receive a personal loan of five hundred dollars ($500) or more, except when the loan is in writing and clearly states the terms of the loan, including the parties to the loan agreement, date of the loan, amount of the loan, term of the loan, date or dates when payments shall be due on the loan and the amount of the payments, and the rate of interest paid on the loan.

(B) This section shall not apply to the following types of loans:

1. Loans made to the campaign committee of the elected officer.

2. Loans made to the elected officer by his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, or first cousin, or the spouse of any such person, provided that the person making the loan is not acting as an agent or intermediary for any person not otherwise exempted under this section.

3. Loans made, or offered in writing, before January 1, 1998.

(C) Nothing in this section shall exempt any person from any other provision of Title 9 of the Government Code.

(8.4) Section 8.4. Personal Loans.

(A) Except as set forth in subdivision (B), a personal loan received by any designated employee shall become a gift to the designated employee for the purposes of this section in the following circumstances:

1. If the loan has a defined date or dates for repayment, when the statute of limitations for filing an action for default has expired.

2. If the loan has no defined date or dates for repayment, when one year has elapsed from

his or her official position to influence the making of any governmental decision which he or she knows or has reason to know will have a reasonably foreseeable material financial effect, distinguishable from its effect on the public generally, on the official or a member of his or her immediate family or on:

(A) Any business entity in which the designated employee has a direct or indirect investment worth two thousand dollars ($2,000) or more;

(B) Any real property in which the designated employee has a direct or indirect interest worth two thousand dollars ($2,000) or more;

(C) Any source of income, other than gifts and other than loans by a commercial lending institution in the regular course of business on terms available to the public without regard to official status, aggregating five hundred dollars ($500) or more in value provided to, received by or promised to the designated employee within 12 months prior to the time when the decision is made;

(D) Any business entity in which the designated employee is a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee, or holds any position of management; or

(E) Any donor of, or any intermediary or agent for a donor of, a gift or gifts aggregating $390 or more provided to, received by, or promised to the designated employee within 12 months prior to the time when the decision is made.

(9.3) Section 9.3. Legally Required Participation.

No designated employee shall be prevented from making or participating in the making of any decision to the extent his or her participation is legally required for the decision to be made. The fact that the vote of a designated employee who is on a voting body is needed to break a tie does not make his or her participation legally required for purposes of this section.

This code has the force and effect of law. Designated employees violating any provision of this code are subject to the administrative, criminal and civil sanctions provided in the Political Reform Act, Government Code sections 81000-91014. In addition, a decision in relation to which a violation of the disqualification provisions of this code or of Government Code section 87100 or 87450 has occurred may be set aside as void pursuant to Government Code section 91003.

Note: Authority cited: Section 83112, Government Code. Reference: Sections 87103(e), 87300-87302, 89501, 89502 and 89503, Government Code.

HISTORY

1. New section filed 4-2-80 as an emergency; effective upon filing (Register 80, No. 14). Certificate of Compliance included.

2. Editorial correction (Register 80, No. 29).

3. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 1-9-81; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 81, No. 2).

4. Amendment of subsection (b)(7)(B)1. filed 1-26-83; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 83, No. 5).

5. Amendment of subsection (b)(7)(A) filed 11-10-83; effective thirtieth day thereafter (Register 83, No. 46).

6. Amendment filed 4-13-87; operative 5-13-87 (Register 87, No. 16).

7. Amendment of subsection (b) filed 10-21-88; operative 11-20-88 (Register 88, No. 46).

8. Amendment of subsections (b)(8)(A) and (b)(8)(B) and numerous editorial changes filed 8-28-90; operative 9-27-90 (Reg. 90, No. 42).

9. Amendment of subsections (b)(3), (b)(8) and renumbering of following subsections and

(Register 98, No. 35).

19. Editorial correction of subsection (a) (Register 98, No. 47).

20. Amendment of subsections (b)(8.1), (b)(8.1)(A) and (b)(9)(E) filed 5-11-99; operative 5-11-99 pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(d) (Register 99, No. 20).

21. Amendment of subsections (b)(8.1)-(b)(8.1)(A) and (b)(9)(E) filed 12-6-2000; operative 1-1-2001 pursuant to the 1974 version of Government Code section 11380.2 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 18312(d) and; (e) (Register 2000, No. 49).

22. Amendment of subsections (b)(3) and (b)(10) filed 1-10-2001; operative 2-1-2001. Submitted to OAL for filing pursuant to *Fair Political Practices Commission v. Office of Administrative Law*, 3 Civil C010924, California Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, nonpublished decision, April 27, 1992 (FPPC regulations only subject to 1974 Administrative Procedure Act rulemaking requirements) (Register 2001, No. 2).

23. Amendment of subsections (b)(7)(A)4., (b)(7)(B)1.-2., (b)(8.2)(E)3., (b)(9)(A)-(C) and footnote 4. filed 2-13-2001. Submitted to OAL for filing pursuant *to Fair Political Practices Commission v. Office of Administrative Law*, 3 Civil C010924, California Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, nonpublished decision, April 27, 1992 (FPPC regulations only subject to 1974 Administrative Procedure Act rulemaking requirements) (Register 2001, No. 7).

24. Amendment of subsections (b)(8.1)-(b)(8.1)(A) filed 1-16-2003; operative 1-1-2003. Submitted to OAL for filing pursuant to *Fair Political Practices Commission v. Office of Administrative Law*, 3 Civil C010924, California Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, nonpublished decision, April 27, 1992 (FPPC regulations only subject to 1974 Administrative Procedure Act rulemaking requirements) (Register 2003, No. 3).

25. Editorial correction of 24 (Register 2003, No. 12).

EXHIBIT "B"

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Designated Positions	Investments[A]	Real Property[B]	Income, Loans & Bus. Pos.[C]	Gifts & Travel Payments[D]
Commissioner "A"	X	X	X	X
Commissioner "B"	X	X	X	X
Commissioner "C"	X	X	X	X
Commissioner "D"	X	X	X	X
Commissioner "E"	X	X	X	X

Disclosure Categories for All Positions Listed

A. Reportable investments. (FPPC Form 700, Schedules A-1 and A-2.)

B. Reportable interests in real property in the Jurisdiction. (FPPC Form 700, Schedule B.)

C. Reportable income, loans and business positions, other than gifts and travel payments. (FPPC Form 700, Schedule C.)

D. Reportable gifts and travel payments. (FPPC Form 700, Schedules D and E.)