

CITY OF OAKLAND  
PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION  
One Frank Ogawa Plaza (City Hall)  
Special Commission Meeting  
Hearing Room 1  
Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
5:30 p.m.



Commissioners: Ryan Micik (Chair), Francis Upton IV (Vice-Chair), Alea Gage, Vincent Steele, and Karun Tilak.

Commission Staff to attend: Simon Russell, Enforcement Chief

Legal Counsel: Christina Cameron, Partner, Devaney Pate Morris & Cameron, LLP

## **PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

### **PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

#### **1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

Members present: Chair Micik, Vice Chair Upton IV, Tilak, and Gage.

Members absent: Steele.

Staff present: Simon Russell.

Legal Counsel: Christina Cameron.

#### **2. Staff and Commission Announcements.**

There were no announcements.

Public Comment: None.

#### **3. Open Forum.**

Public Comment: Ralph Kanz.

A full recording of public comments is available in the meeting video. Video recordings are posted on the meeting webpage, which may be found at [www.oaklandca.gov/pec](http://www.oaklandca.gov/pec). Written public comments are posted on the meeting webpage, which may be found at [www.oaklandca.gov/pec](http://www.oaklandca.gov/pec).

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **4. Proposed Settlement Agreements: In the Matter of Oaklanders For Responsible Leadership, et al. (PEC # 22-09.01), In the Matter of Committee For An Affordable East**

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**Bay, et al. (PEC # 20-41.01), In Matter of Oakland Fund For Measure AA, et al. (PEC # 19-01.01).**

Chief Simon Russell announced that Executive Director Nicolas Heidorn had recused himself on these cases because he was friends with one of the respondents, former Mayor Libby Schaaf, and had volunteered for and contributed to her campaign.

Chief Russell presented on, and the Commission considered, the proposed settlement agreements in Enforcement cases ## 22-09.01, 20-41.01 and 19-01.01.

Eli Love, representing OAKPAC, spoke regarding the settlement agreements.

Public Comment: Ralph Kanz.

Written public comment from Marleen L. Sacks, Lance Montauk, and Ralph Kanz was received prior to the meeting. Written public comments are posted on the meeting webpage, which may be found at [www.oaklandca.gov/pec](http://www.oaklandca.gov/pec).

Upton moved, seconded by Micik, to approve the settlement agreements.

Ayes: Upton, Tilak, Micik.

Noes: Gage.

Vote: 3-1

Motion failed.

Upton moved, seconded by Tilak, to approve the settlement agreements.

Public Comment: Gene Hazzard, Ralph Kanz.

Ayes: Upton, Gage, Tilak, Micik.

Noes: None.

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Vote: 4-0

Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.