SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM2.7
(ID # 7907)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

FROM: COUNTY COUNSEL:

SUBJECT: COUNTY COUNSEL: Approval of the Conflict of Interest Code of the Western

Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority [District 1, 2, 3, 5] [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve the Conflict of Interest Code of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority; and
- 2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to notify the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority of the action taken.

ACTION: Consent

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Washington, Perez and Ashley

Nays:

None

Absent:

Tavaglione

Date:

September 11, 2018

XC:

Co.Co., COB, Authority, BBK

Deputy

Kecia Harper-Ihem

Clerk of the Board

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost	
COST	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
NET COUNTY COST	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adju	Budget Adjustment: N/A	
,		For Fiscal Y	ear: N/A		

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Political Reform Act prohibits a public official from using his or her position to influence a government decision in which he or she has a financial interest. Government Code section 87300 requires local government agencies to adopt and promulgate a Conflict of Interest Code identifying officials and employees required to file statements of economic interest based on the positions they hold. A local government agency, as defined by Government Code section 82041, includes the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority.

Each even-numbered year, Government Code section 87306.5 requires local government agencies to review their Conflict of Interest Code, make appropriate revisions, if necessary, and submit an amended Conflict of Interest Code to the code reviewing body. Government Code section 82011(b) identifies the Board of Supervisors for the County of Riverside as the code reviewing body for a local government agency within its county.

The Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority recently amended it Conflict of Interest Code on July 25, 2018 to revise titles of existing positions and delete titles of positions that have been abolished and/or positions that no longer make or participate in making governmental decisions. The Executive Director of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority has submitted a declaration stating that "[t]he Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority's Conflict of Interest Code specifically enumerates each of the positions within Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority which involve the making or participation in the making of decisions which may foreseeably have a material effect on financial interests." The Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority has submitted its amended Conflict of Interest Code for approval by the Board of Supervisors as the code reviewing body.

This office has reviewed the Conflict of Interest Code of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority and has found that it complies with statutory requirements. A complete copy of the Conflict of Interest Code of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority is attached.

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It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the Conflict of Interest Code of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority, and direct the Clerk of the Board to notify the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority of the action taken.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE

COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Attachment B: DECLARATION OF CHARLES V. LANDRY

Melissa Noone, Associate Management Analyst 9/4/2018 Gregory V. Priagros, Director County Counsel 8/27/2018

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

(Amended July 25, 2018)

The Political Reform Act (Gov. Code § 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 (2 Cal. Code Regs. § 18730) that contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing Section 18730 may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This incorporation page, Regulation 18730 and the attached Appendix designating positions and establishing disclosure categories, shall constitute the conflict of interest code of the **Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority** (the "Authority").

All officials and designated positions required to submit a statement of economic interests shall file their statements with the Administrative Manager as the Authority's Filing Officer. The Administrative Manager shall make and retain a copy of all statements filed by Members of the Board of Directors and their Alternates and the Executive Director, and forward the originals of such statements to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside. The Administrative Manager shall retain the originals of the statements filed by all other officials and designated positions. The Administrative Manager will make all retained statements available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours (Gov. Code Section 81008).

APPENDIX

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

OF THE

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

(Amended July 25, 2018)

PART "A"

OFFICIALS WHO MANAGE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

Authority Officials who manage public investments, as defined by 2 California Code of Regs. § 18700.3(b), are NOT subject to the Authority's Code, but must file disclosure statements under Government Code section 87200 et seq. [Regs. § 18730(b)(3)] These positions are listed here for informational purposes only.

It has been determined that the positions listed below are officials who manage public investments¹:

Members of the Board of Directors and their Alternates

Executive Director, RC

Treasurer²

Financial Consultant

Individuals holding one of the above-listed positions may contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for assistance or written advice regarding their filing obligations if they believe that their position has been categorized incorrectly. The Fair Political Practices Commission makes the final determination whether a position is covered by § 87200.

This is the County Treasurer; no duplicate filing is required under this Code.

DESIGNATED POSITIONS

GOVERNED BY THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

TITLE OR FUNCTION	ASSIGNED
Controller	1, 2
Deputy Executive Director, RC	1, 2
Director of Administrative Services, RC	4
Land Acquisition Director, RC	1, 2
Director of Reserve Management and Monitoring, RC	1, 2
General Counsel	1, 2
Administrative Manager, RC	4
Administrative Services Officer, RC	4
Chief of Technical Information, RC	5
Ecological Resources Specialist, RC	2, 5
GIS/IT Database Manager, RC	5
Land Acquisition Analyst, RC	1, 2
Supervising Accountant, RC	4
Reserve Manager	5

DESIGNATED POSITIONS' TITLE OR FUNCTION

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ASSIGNED

MEMBERS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

Executive Committee	4
Funding Coordination Committee	1, 2
Reserve Management Oversight Committee	1, 2

Consultant and New Positions³

Individuals serving as a consultant as defined in FPPC Reg 18700.3(a) or in a new position created since this Code was later amended that makes or participates in making decisions must file under the broadest disclosure requirements set forth in this Code subject to the following limitation:

The Executive Director may determine that, due to the range of duties or contractual obligations, it is more appropriate to assign a limited disclosure requirement. A clear explanation of the duties and a statement of the extent of the disclosure requirements must be in a written document. (Gov. Code § 82019; FPPC Regs 18219 and 18734.) The Executive Director's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this Conflict of Interest Code. (Gov. Code § 81008.)

PART "B"

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

The disclosure categories listed below identify the types of economic investments that the designated position must disclose for each disclosure category to which he or she is assigned.⁴ "Investment" means financial interest in any business entity (including a consulting business or other independent contracting business) and are reportable if they are either located in or doing business in the jurisdiction, are planning to do business in the jurisdiction, or have done business during the previous two years in the jurisdiction of the Authority.

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This Conflict of Interest Code does not require the reporting of gifts from outside this agency's jurisdiction if the source does not have some connection with or bearing upon the functions or duties of the position. (Reg. 18730.1)

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RCA Administrative Services Officer, RC			4
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RCA Ecological Resources Specialist, RC——			2, 5
RCA GIS/IT Database Manager, RC ———			5
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DECLARATION OF CHARLES V. LANDRY

- I, Charles V. Landry, declare as follows:
- 1. I am the Executive Director of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority.
- 2. The Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority's Conflict of Interest Code specifically enumerates each of the positions within Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority which involve the making or participation in the making of decisions which may foreseeably have a material effect on financial interests.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on July 25, 2018, at Riverside, California.

Charles V. Lahdry

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