



Open Government Commission

## MINUTES

Civic Center  
2180 Milvia Street  
Cypress Room (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

Regular Meeting  
**June 20, 2019**

Members Present: Jessica Blome (Acting Chair), Janis Ching, Patrick O'Donnell, Daniel Saver, Jedidiah Tsang, Brad Smith

Members Absent: Mark McLean (excused), Dean Metzger (excused)

Also Present: Emmanuelle Soichet, Staff Secretary/Deputy City Attorney

### 1. **Call to Order**

Chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

### 2. **Roll Call**

Roll call taken.

### 3. **Public Comment (items not on agenda)**

One speaker on matters not on agenda.

### 4. **Reports**

a. Report from Chair.

No report.

b. Report from Democracy Project Subcommittee.

Public comment: 2 speakers.

Discussion: Commissioner Saver gave an update on subcommittee status. Report and recommendations from subcommittee will be included in next meeting's agenda. Commissioner Tsang will replace former Commissioner Tsui on the subcommittee.

c. Report from Ombudsman Subcommittee.

Public comment: 2 speakers

Discussion: No report.

d. Report from Staff.

No report.

5. **Approval of Minutes for the May 16, 2019 Regular Meeting**

- a. Public comment: One speaker.
- b. Commission discussion and action.

*Motion to adopt draft minutes (M/S/C: O'Donnell/Ching; Ayes: Blome, Ching, O'Donnell, Saver, Smith, Tsang; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: McLean (excused), Metzger (excused)).*

6. **Update on City budget process and Council budget referral regarding Good Government Ombudsman; discussion and possible action.**

- a. Public comment: Two speakers.
- b. Commission discussion and action.

*Motion to recommend that Chair Metzger and Vice Chair Bloome consult and attend the June 25 City Council meeting and express on behalf of the Commission the support for a position and explain its importance considering increasing resource needs to enforce new ordinances and with upcoming elections (M/S/C: O'Donnell /Smith; Ayes: Blome, Ching, O'Donnell, Saver, Smith, Tsang; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: McLean (excused), Metzger (excused)).*

7. **Proposal for Commission to address issues regarding Discretionary Council Office Budgets; discussion and possible action.**

- c. Public comment: One speaker.
- d. Commission discussion and action.

*Motion to postpone item to a future meeting (M/S/C: Smith/O'Donnell; Ayes: Blome, Ching, O'Donnell, Saver, Smith, Tsang; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: McLean (excused), Metzger (excused)).*

8. **Adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn (M/S/C: Saver/Ching; Ayes: Blome, Ching, O'Donnell, Saver, Smith, Tsang; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: McLean (excused), Metzger (excused)).*

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.