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AGENDA REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCILMEMBERS,
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

FROM: Whitney Barazoto, Director
Public Ethics Commission

RE: Oakland Campaign Reform Act (OCRA)
(Supplemental Report to Sept. 19 Report)

DATE: October 6, 2016

COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-Wide

SUMMARY OF RECENT CHANGES MADE

This report summarizes recent discussion and amendments made to the Public Ethics Commission's proposed legislation, including suggested amendments from Councilmember Dan Kalb's office and additional Commission changes. This report includes an amended recommendation that aligns with the wording of the revised legislation, as well as an attachment that highlights and explains each of the most recent changes.

RECOMMENDATION (Revised)

Adopt AMENDMENTS TO THE "OAKLAND CAMPAIGN REFORM ACT" (OCRA) ORDINANCE (A) aligning OCRA with the 2014 amendment to the OAKLAND CITY charter section 603, (b) strengthening the Commission's enforcement authority to match the government ethics act and the california political reform act, and (c) clarifying and expanding definitions and substantive provisions to ensure the act uses clear and enforceable language, and (d) enhancing independent expenditure disclosure requirements.

RECENT CHANGES MADE BY THE PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION

After the Public Ethics Commission submitted its proposed legislation to Councilmember Kalb's office on September 20, 2016, Councilmember Kalb made a few additional edits to the language and submitted the resulting document on September 29, 2016, for the City Council Rules Committee agenda posting.

Subsequently, the Public Ethics Commission met on October 3, 2016, to review Councilmember Kalb's additional edits and make further cleanup changes to the Commission's proposal. The Commission's revisions are included in the attached revised legislation with the Commission's recent changes highlighted in the text.

Also attached is a staff analysis of the revised proposal with explanations of the Commission's recent changes highlighted in the analysis.

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For questions regarding this report, please contact me at (510) 238-6620.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments

1. *Analysis of Proposed Government Ethics Act Prepared by PEC Staff – Revised 10/6/16*
2. *Proposed Amendments to the Oakland Campaign Reform Act as revised by the Public Ethics Commission October 3, 2016*

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