

District Attorney Report and Code of Conduct for the City Council, Boards and Commissions

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Tonight's Agenda

- District Attorney Report
- Code of Conduct – City Council, Boards and Commissions
- Council direction to staff



District Attorney Report

- City Council meetings in December 2022
- City Attorney Review
- Referral to District Attorney



Codes of Conduct

- Existing codes of conduct for Council, Board/Commission members
- Overarching principles:
 - Put constituents first at all times
 - Civil, intelligent public discourse
 - Enhance public participation and Council/Commission debate
 - Treat each other, staff, and members of the public with dignity, courtesy, and respect
 - Agree to respectfully disagree
 - Keep comments clear, concise, and on-topic



Council Direction to Staff

- Short-Term Options
- Long-Term Options



Council Direction to Staff

Short-Term Options	Long-Term Options
1. Do nothing (Rob Newsom, Rich Hedges: No)	1. Bring back strengthened code of conduct (Lisa Diaz Nash, Rob Newsom, Rich Hedges: Yes)
2. Expression of Opinion from the City Council (Rich Hedges, Lisa Diaz Nash, Rob Newsom: Yes and apology) (Adam Loraine, Amourence Lee: Yes with 12/5 and 12/7)	2. Include formal censure process in code of conduct (Lisa Diaz Nash, Rich Hedges: Yes)
3.	3. Gather community input (Lisa Diaz Nash, Rich Hedges: Yes)
4.	4. Do nothing
5.	5. Direct staff to look at other codes of conduct (Lisa Diaz Nash, Adam Loraine, Rich Hedges: Yes)
6.	6. Adjustment to process to remove commissioners (Rob Newsom: Yes)
7.	7. Subcommittee of Council to review short and long term options. (Rich Hedges: Yes)
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