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## BOARD OF FAIR CAMPAIGN AND POLITICAL PRACTICES

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**TO:** RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT

**COMMITTEE** 

**FROM:** Adrian Gonzales, Chair Board of Fair Campaign

and Political Practices

SUBJECT: Board of Fair Campaign DATE: August 8, 2018

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Annual Report for FY 2017-18 Work Plan for FY 2018-19

On behalf of the City of San José Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices, I would like to thank the City Council for the opportunity to serve our community. The Board is committed to promoting an ethical and transparent environment not only in political campaigns, but through the conduct of government business. We look forward to continuing to work with the City Council and City staff to foster a culture in which the highest legal and ethical standards are upheld and our constituents maintain confidence and pride in our City's government.

The Board would like to recognize the dedication of the City staff who support the Board, particularly City Clerk Toni Taber, Senior Deputy City Clerk Cecilia McDaniel, Deputy City Attorney Mark Vanni, as well as Steven Miller of the Hanson Bridgett law firm, our independent evaluator and investigator.

We are pleased to forward the attached FY 2017-18 Annual Report and FY 2018-19 Work Plan for consideration by the Rules and Open Government Committee.

The Board's primary accomplishments during FY 2017-18 included:

- Submitting a report of recommendations to revise and update the City's ethics laws in accordance with the City's biennial ethics review;
- Processing one complaint that was dismissed after a preliminary evaluation; and,
- Providing recommendations regarding the City's Revolving Door Odinance in response to a study request from the City Council.

We expect the primary activities of the Board during FY 2017-18 to include:

- Ongoing compliance monitoring;
- Evaluating, prioritizing and developing recommendations for addressing areas of concern identified through compliance monitoring, investigations and legislative review as a part of the Mayor and City Council's biennial ethics review; and,
- Responding to requests as necessary from the City Council and City administration.

Thank you for supporting the Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices and our common goal of making our City more transparent and accountable to the public. Please do not hesitate to contact the Board if we can provide additional information about our annual report, work plan or other activities.

ADRIAN G. GONZALES, Chair

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