#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-**

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974

**WHEREAS**, the State of California enacted the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code Section 81000, et seq. (the "Act"), which contains provisions relating to conflicts of interest which potentially affect all officers, employees and consultants of the City of Los Altos (the "City"), and which requires all public agencies to adopt and promulgate a conflict of interest code; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council adopted a Conflict of Interest Code (the "Code"), which was amended by Resolution No. 2022-83 in compliance with the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent changed circumstances within the City have made it advisable and necessary pursuant to Sections 87306 and 87307 of the Act to amend and update the City's Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the potential penalties for violation of the provisions of the Act are substantial and may include criminal and civil liability, as well as equitable relief which could result in the City being restrained or prevented from acting in cases where the provisions of the Act may have been violated; and

**WHEREAS**, the last update to the Conflict of Interest code occurred at a regular meeting of the City Council on November 29, 2022 at which all present were given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed amended Code.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Los Altos that:

- 1. The City Council does hereby approve and adopt the proposed amended Conflict of Interest Code, a copy of which is attached hereto and shall be on file with the City Clerk and available to the public for inspection and copying during regular business hours;
- 2. The said amended Conflict of Interest Code shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and approval; and
- 3. All previous conflict of interest codes of the City of Los Altos shall be rescinded upon effective date of said amended Code as approved by the City Council.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Jonathan D. Weinberg, MAYOR

Attest:

Melissa Thurman, MMC CITY CLERK

# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

## **OF THE**

# **CITY OF LOS ALTOS**

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS

#### (Proposed November 12, 2024)

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 of 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 Regulation 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 **City of Los Altos (the ''City'').** 

All officials and designated positions required to submit a statement of economic interests shall file their statements with the **City Clerk** as the City's Filing Officer. The **City Clerk** shall make and retain a copy of all statements filed by the Mayor, Members of the City Council and Planning Commission, the City Manager, the City Attorney and the City Treasurer, and forward the originals of such statements to the Fair Political Practices Commission. The **City Clerk** shall retain the original statements filed

by all other officials and designated positions and will make all retained statements available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours. (Gov. Code § 81008.)

All officials and designated positions required to submit a statement of economic interests shall receive ethics training as required pursuant to Government Code section 53235 (AB 1234). The City's Filing Officer shall annually provide all filers with information on training available to meet the requirements of Section 53235, and maintain required records indicating the dates that filers satisfied the training requirements and the entity that provided the training. These records shall be retained for five years after the date of training and are public records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. (Gov. Code § 53235.2.)

# **APPENDIX**

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

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## PART "A"

The Mayor, Members of the City Council and Planning Commission, the City Manager, the City Attorney, the City Treasurer, and All Other City Officials who manage public investments, as defined by 2 Cal. Code of Regs. §18700.3(b), are NOT subject to the City's Code but must file disclosure statements under Government Code section 87200 et seq. [Regs. § 18730(b)(3)]

## OFFICIALS WHO MANAGE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

It has been determined that the positions listed below are Other City Officials who manage public investments<sup>1</sup>. These positions are listed here for informational purposes only.

Finance Director Investment Advisor Investment Consultant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

# DESIGNATED POSITIONS'<br/>TITLE OR FUNCTIONDISCLOSURE CATEGORIES<br/>ASSIGNEDDESIGNATED POSITIONS

#### **GOVERNED BY THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

DESIGNATED POSITIONS'ITITLE OR FUNCTION	DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ASSIGNED
Assistant City Manager	1, 2
Senior Planner	2, 3, 5
Building Official	2, 3, 5, 6
City Attorney (not filing under GC § 87200, incl. deputy/assis	tant) 1, 2
City Clerk	1, 2
Development Services Director	1, 2
Deputy City Clerk	5
Economic Development Manager/Coordinator	1, 2
Public Works Director/City Engineer	1, 2
Engineering Services Manager	2, 3, 5
Environmental Services and Utilities Director	1, 2
Financial Services Manager	1, 2
Human Resources Director	1, 2
Human Resources Manager	5
Information Technology Manager	5
Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director	1, 2
Maintenance Supervisor	5
Management Analyst I/II	5
Planning Services Manager	1, 2
Police Captain	5
Police Chief	5
Police Services Manager	5
Project Manager	2, 3, 5
Public Information Officer	1, 2

DESIGNATED POSITIONS' TITLE OR FUNCTION Recreation Manager	DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ASSIGNED 5
Senior Accountant	4
Senior Human Resources Analyst	5
Special Projects Manager	2, 3, 5
Sustainability Coordinator	2, 3, 5, 6
Transportation Services Manager	2, 3, 5

#### DESIGNATED POSITIONS' <u>TITLE OR FUNCTION</u> <u>MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES,</u> <u>BOARDS & COMMISSIONS</u>

#### DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ASSIGNED

Complete Streets Commission	1, 2
Environmental Commission	1, 2
Financial Commission	1, 2
Historical Commission	5
Parks, Arts, Recreation and Cultural Commission	2, 3, 5

Consultants and New Positions<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Individuals serving as a consultant as defined in FPPC Reg 18700.3(a) or in a new position created since this Code was last approved that makes or participates in making decisions must file under the broadest disclosure set forth in this Code subject to the following limitation:

The City Manager 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 Sec. 82019; FPPC Regulations 18219 and 18734.). The City Manger'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 Sec. 81008.)

## **PART "B"**

## **DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES**

The disclosure categories listed below identify the types of economic interests that the designated position must disclose for each disclosure category to which he or she is assigned.<sup>3</sup> "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, doing business in, planning to do business in, or have done business during the previous two years in the jurisdiction of the City.

<u>Category 1:</u> .All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments.

<u>Category 2:</u> All interests in real property which is located in whole or in part within, or not more than two (2) miles outside, the boundaries of the City.

<u>Category 3:</u> All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that are engaged in land development, construction or the acquisition or sale of real property within the jurisdiction of the City.

<u>Category 4:</u> All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that provide services, products, materials, machinery, vehicles or equipment of a type purchased or leased by the City.

<u>Category 5:</u> All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that provide services, products, materials, machinery, vehicles or equipment of a type purchased or leased by the designated position's department, unit or division.

<u>Category 6:</u> All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, subject to the regulatory, permit, or licensing authority of the designated employee's department, unit or division.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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)