

Conflict of Interest and Ethics

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PURPOSE: This policy establishes the rules for disclosure of financial interest, sets forth provisions to avoid conflict of interest and provides for ethics training.

B-20-10 Statements. Board Members shall file statements of economic interest as required by the Fair Political Practices Commission's regulation, 2 California Code of Regulations §18730.

B-20-20 State Regulations. The terms of 2 California Code of Regulations §18730 and any amendments to it adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference.

B-20-30 Conflict of Interest Code and Compliance Requirements. As required by California Government Code Section 87306.5, the District Board shall review its Conflict of Interest Code not later than the September Regular Board Meeting of each even numbered year and amend it as necessary .Board Members shall comply with all terms and conditions of the conflict of interest code.

B-20-40 Abstaining from Voting. Where a conflict of interest exists, Board Members shall abstain from discussion and voting, and leave the Board Room for any agenda item involving a personal or financial conflict of interest. Unless a conflict of interest exists, Board members should ordinarily not abstain from the Board's decision-making responsibilities.

B-20-50 Policy Against Nepotism. The Mt. View Sanitary District recognizes the rights of all persons to become involved in personal, financial or business relationships. It also recognizes that as a public agency, its governing officers and employees must avoid conflicts of interest between District related and personal/family obligations. Recognizing these principles, the Board has concluded that it is the policy of the District's Board that its members shall refrain from any action that is or could have the appearance of advancing the interests of a Board Member or a Board Member's Family.

B-20-60 Biannual Ethics Training. All Board members shall complete ethics training as required by California Government Code 53235. Ordinarily Biannual Ethics training will be completed at a meeting of the Board in August of odd numbered years.