

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT
CITY COUNCIL
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NOTICE

9/13/2024

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Anna M. Valencia City Clerk 121 N. LaSalle St., Room 107 – City Hall Chicago, IL 60602

RE: Invoking City Council Rule 41 regarding SO2024-0009664

Dear Clerk Valencia:

Pursuant to Rule 41 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council of the City of Chicago, to call for a vote on a deferred matter, notice is hereby given that at the meeting of the City Council on September 18, 2024, I intend to call for a vote on ordinance SO2024-0009664: "Amendment of Municipal Code Section 2-156-445 prohibiting lobbyists from making direct or in-kind contributions to mayor or mayoral political committee", which was deferred and published on June 12, 2024. I intend to move to substitute this ordinance with the same content of the underlying ordinance and to include content from a secondary ordinance, O2024-0010161: "Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 2-156 by modifying Section 2-156-160 concerning financial disclosure requirements for City officials, candidates and employees involving entities which performed business with City of Chicago in previous calendar year".

Sincerely,

MATTHEW J. MARTIN Alderman, 47th Ward

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SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2-156 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

2-156-142 Offering, receiving and soliciting of gifts or favors.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

(e) No person shall give or offer to give to any official, candidate for city office, employee or city contractor, or the covered relative of such official, candidate, or employee, and none of them shall accept, anything of value, including, but not limited to, a gift, favor or promise of future employment, based upon any mutual understanding, either explicit or implicit, that the votes, official actions, decisions or judgments of any official, candidate for city office, employee, or city contractor, concerning the business of the city would be influenced thereby. It shall be presumed that a non-monetary gift having a value of no more than \$50.00 does not involve such an understanding.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

2-156-160 Content of statements.

(a) Statements of financial interests shall contain the following information:

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

(2) The nature of any professional, business or other services rendered by the reporting individual or by his or her spouse or domestic partner, or by any entity in which the reporting individual or his or her spouse or domestic partner has a financial interest, including the category of such financial interest as specified in subsection (b), the name and nature of the person or entity (other than the city) to whom or to which such services were rendered, and the category of the compensation as specified in subsection (b) if, during the preceding calendar year, (i) compensation in excess of \$5,000.00 was received for professional or other services by the reporting individual, or by such individual's spouse or domestic partner, or by an entity in which the reporting individual or his or her spouse or domestic partner has a financial interest and (ii) the person or entity was at any time in the preceding calendar year doing business with the city, or with the Chicago Transit Authority, Board of Education, Chicago Park District, Chicago City Colleges or the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

2-156-445 Limitation of contributing to candidates and elected officials.

No person who has done business with the City, or with the Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago Board of Education, Chicago Park District, Chicago City Colleges, Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Public Building Commission, or Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority within the preceding four reporting years, or who is seeking to do business with the City or with any of the other aforementioned entities, and no lobbyist registered with the Board of Ethics shall make contributions in an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,500.00: (i) to any candidate for City office during a reporting year; or (ii) to an elected official of the government of the City during any reporting year of the official's term; or (iii) during a reporting year, to any official or employee of the City who is seeking election to any other office. No lobbyist, or any person in which a lobbyist has an ownership interest of more than 7.5% and whom the lobbyist has lobbied on behalf of in the 12 months prior to the date of the contribution, shall: (i) make a direct or inkind contribution in any amount to the Mayor or to the Mayor's authorized political committee, or to any candidate for Mayor or that candidate's authorized political committee; and (ii) make contributions in an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,500.00: (A) to any candidate for City office during a reporting year; (B) to an elected official of the government of the City during any reporting year of the official's term; or (C) during a reporting year, to any official or employee of the City who is seeking election to any other office. For purposes of this section, all contributions to a candidate's authorized political committees shall be considered contributions to the candidate. A reporting year shall be from January 1st to December 31st. For purposes of this subsection only "seeking to do business" means: (i) the definition set forth in Section 2-156-010(x); or (ii) any matter that was pending before the City Council or any City Council Committee in the six months prior to the date of the contribution or any matter that will be pending before the City Council or any City Council Committee in the six months after the date of the contribution, if that matter involved the award of loan funds, grant funds or bond proceeds, bond inducement ordinances, leases, land sales, zoning matters, the creation of tax increment financing districts, concession agreements, or the establishment of a Class 6(b) Cook County property tax classification.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

Any Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (d), any person who solicits, (d) accepts, offers, or makes a financial contribution that violates the limits set forth in this section shall be subject to the penalty provided in Article VII of this Chapter; provided, however, such person shall not be deemed in violation of this section if such person returns or requests in writing the return of such financial contribution within 10 calendar days of the recipient's or contributor's knowledge of the violation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any lobbyist, or any person in which a lobbyist has an ownership interest of more than 7.5% and whom the lobbyist has lobbied on behalf of in the 12 months prior to the date of the contribution, that makes a contribution to the Mayor or the Mayor's authorized political committee, or to any candidate for Mayor or that candidate's authorized political committee, shall be subject to the following penalties: (i) the penalty for the first such violation shall be as provided in Article VII of this chapter; provided, however, such person shall not be deemed in violation of this section if such person returns or requests in writing the return of such financial contribution within 10 calendar days of the recipient's or contributor's knowledge of the violation; and (ii) the penalty for each subsequent violation, regardless of whether the contribution for the first such violation was returned or a request to return was made, shall be as provided in Article VII of this chapter and the lobbyist's lobbyist registration shall be suspended for 90 calendar days.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect ten days after passage and publication.

Matthew J. Martin Alderman, 47th Ward

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