

Ordinance No. 99440

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Res. No. 22791, ESTAB. A CITIZENS ETHICS COMMITTEE...AND SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF SAID COMMITTEE AND ADOPTING CERTAIN RULES OF PROCEDURE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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WHEREAS Article XVIII Sec. 4 of the City Charter relating to and requiring the reporting of campaign contributions by candidates and nominees for City elective office provides that proof of violation thereof shall disqualify such candidate or nominee from holding such office; and

WHEREAS allegations of violations of said Article XVIII Sec. 4 have been made in connection with the filing of statements of campaign contributions by certain City officials; and

WHEREAS the conduct of City business by officers who have properly qualified is essential to the maintenance of good government and the investigation of such allegations is therefore necessary in the exercise of the City's police power and the Committee hereinafter provided for has been created to conduct such investigation; Now, Therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby created a Citizens Ethics Committee to act in an advisory capacity to the City Council and to be composed of five members as follows:

Mr. Daniel Brink, Chairman
Mrs. Dorothee S. Pealy
Mrs. Anita Jones
Mr. James Best, Vice-Chairman
The Rev. Timothy Cronin, S. J.

Section 2. Said Committee shall have the following duties and powers:

(1) To conduct a preliminary investigation and make findings and recommendations to the City Council as to any alleged violations

of Article XVIII Sec. 4 of the City Charter and such other matters as may come before the Committee in connection therewith;

(2) To meet and hold hearings in accordance with rules of procedure formulated by said Committee for the conduct of such investigation; and

(3) To utilize the services of such staff as may be made available to said Committee by the City Council and to employ such other persons as may be necessary to conduct such investigation.

In the performance of the duties imposed upon said Committee by this ordinance, the Chairman and in his absence the Vice-Chairman thereof shall have the power and they are hereby authorized to administer oaths or affirmations, examine witnesses, and compel attendance of persons, and production of documents, papers, books, accounts, letters, and records by subpoena.

All officers, employees, departments and agencies of the City shall make available to the Committee all books, papers, documents and information requested by said Committee and pertinent or material to the investigation being conducted by said Committee.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person duly summoned to attend as a witness before the Citizens Ethics Committee to fail or refuse, without lawful excuse, to attend pursuant to such summons, or to wilfully refuse to be sworn or to affirm or to answer any material or proper question, or to produce, upon reasonable notice, any material or proper documents, papers, books, accounts, letters or

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records in his possession or under his control, or having been duly sworn to tell the truth, to knowingly give false testimony as to any material matter.

Section 4. That payment of necessary expenses incurred by the Citizens Ethics Committee in the conduct of the investigation authorized in Section 2 of this ordinance, in an amount not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) to be charged to the item "Investigation", segregation "Maintenance and Operation" in the 1970 Budget of the Legislative Department, is hereby authorized to be made upon vouchers approved by the Director of Legislative Administration and the City Comptroller is authorized to draw and the City Treasurer to pay the necessary warrants.

Section 5. Anyone convicted of violating Section 3 of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 9 day of November, 1970
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 9 day of November, 1970.

Carlson Carroll
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 13 day of November, 1970
Filed by me this 13 day of November, 1970.

W. J. Melman
Mayor.

Attest: *C. H. Grandson*
City Comptroller and City Clerk.

(SEAL)

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By *J. F. Fenton*
Deputy Clerk.

The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

Date Reported
and Adopted

Your Committee on FINANCE and JUDICIARY AND PERSONNEL
to which was referred C.B. 91026,

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RECOMMEND THAT THE SAME DO PASS.

(superseding C.B. 90992)

Ted Beck

Fin.
Chairman

Janette Williams

J&P
Chairman

Committee

Committee

ORDINANCE NO. 99449

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF WASHINGTON,
KING COUNTY--SS.

The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

The notice in the exact form annexed, was published in regular issues of The Daily Journal of Commerce, which was regularly distributed to its subscribers during the below stated period. The annexed notice, a.....

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[Signature]
Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Nov 14, 1970

[Signature]
Notary Public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle.

(Note: RCW 42.22.050 states--"It shall not be necessary for a notary public in certifying an oath to be used in any of the courts in this state, to append an impression of his official seal.")

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CHARLES M. CARROLL,
President of the City Council.

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WES UHLMAN,
Mayor.

Filed by me this 13th day of November, 1970.

Attest: C. G. ERLANDSON,
City Comptroller and
City Clerk.

(Sent) By J. F. FENTON,
Deputy Clerk.

Publication ordered by C. G. ERLANDSON, Comptroller and City Clerk.

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