

CITY OF LANSING - BOARD OF ETHICS

REGULAR MEETING

July 11, 2023 5:30 P.M.

CONFERENCE ROOM

2500 SOUTH WASHINGTON

UPDATED AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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| ☐ Keith Kris | ☐ R Cole Bouck, Chairperson |
| ☐ Jim DeLine | ☐ Janielle Houston, Vice-Chairperson |
| ☐ Jim Cavanagh | ☐ John Folkers |
| ☐ Trini Lopez-Pehlivanoglu | ☐ Louise Alderson |

A Quorum is: ☐ Present

☐ Not Present

☐ Others Present:

WELCOME NEW MEMBER LOUISE ALDERSON

PUBLIC COMMENT (TIME LIMIT OF 5 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ☐ As Submitted ☐ With Changes Noted

SECRETARY'S REPORT ☐ Approval of Minutes:

Communication from Erica Lynn

Update on South Washington Election Unit as a Future Meeting Location

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Chairperson and Co-Chairperson (8.2 and 8.3 Rules of Procedure)

Statement of Financial Interests	Daphine Whitfield	Human Resources Community Service Department
Affidavit of Disclosure	Jeffrey Brown	City Council
Statement of Financial Interests	Jeffrey Brown	City Council

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Closed Session

Pursuant to MCL 15.268(h) of the Open Meetings Act, I hereby move that the Board recess into closed session to consult with the City Attorney to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute. Specifically, to discuss written legal opinions from the City Attorney provided under attorney-client privilege and attorney work-product, and which is also exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act pursuant to MCL 15.243(1)(g).

For this session, the topic is

Preliminary Written Analysis on Complaint 2023-002

CHAIR'S REPORT:

TABLED ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Persons with disabilities who need an accommodation to fully participate in this meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office at (517) 483-4131 (TTY 711). 24 hour notice may be needed for certain accommodations. An attempt will be made to grant all reasonable accommodation request.

**DRAFT MINUTES
LANSING CITY BOARD OF ETHICS
REGULAR MEETING
June 6, 2023 5:30 PM**

Training Room
South Washington Office Complex
2500 S. Washington

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Board Member Keith Kris since neither Chairperson nor Co-Chairperson was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Keith Kris
Jim DeLine
John Folkers
Trini Lopez-Pehlivanoglu

ABSENT:

R Cole Bouck, Chairperson
Janielle Houston, Vice-Chairperson
Jim Cavanagh

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT:

Joe Abood, City Attorney's Office
Amany Williams, City Attorney's Office
Chris Swope, City Clerk
Robin Stites, City Clerk's Office
Grace Hocking, City Clerk's Office
Eric Doster, Doster Law Offices
Brendon Basiga, Basiga Law Firm
Members of the Public

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOVED by John Folkers to approve the agenda as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Jim DeLine to approve the Minutes of May 30, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

CHAIR'S REPORT: None.

TABLED ITEMS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Complaint 2023-001

Brendon Basiga spoke on Complaint 2023-001 on behalf of Council Member Brown.

Eric Doster spoke on Complaint 2023-001 on behalf of Council Member Brown.

MOVED by Jim DeLine to adopt findings of report and send to City Council to take appropriate action, including but not limited to, further training about requesting funding.

MOTION FAILED with Board Member Keith Kris, John Folkers and Trini Lopez-Pehlivanoglu voting against.

MOVED by Trini Lopez-Pehlivanoglu to adopt report and submit to council for review of the third allegation and recommend training for Council Member Brown on funding requests on behalf of City Council and council members.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNED 6:38 p.m.

The People's Council of Lansing
thepeoplescounciloflansing@gmail.com
07/10/23

City Clerk Chris Swope CC: City of Lansing Board of Ethics
124 W. Michigan Ave
Lansing, MI, 48933

RE: Ethics Complaint Against Mayor Andy Schor

City Clerk Swope,

We are writing to lodge a formal ethics complaint against Mayor Andy Schor, for various violations of Chapter 5 of Article V of the City Charter. This complaint pertains to a solicitation email/letter sent to constituents and potential donors, where Mayor Schor solicits contributions for his leadership fund; "Schor's Leadership Fund", in exchange for favorable treatment and influence over city decisions. This conduct raises concerns about the independence, impartiality, and responsible use of his position for personal gain, which is explicitly prohibited by our city's ethics code.

The letter in question, dated 06/12/23, contains verbiage, usage of the Mayors title/office, and several statements and solicitations that demonstrate many violations of the Codified Ordinances of Lansing, Michigan, pursuant to the City Charter:

Section 5-501 - Standards of conduct: This section highlights the importance of independent, impartial, and responsible public officers and employees who are accountable to the people. It stresses that public office and employment should not be used for personal gain.

By using the letter to promote and solicit funds for specific candidates, Mayor Schor is compromising the independence, impartiality, and responsibility expected of public officers and employees. The letter outlines a clear personal agenda and undermines the proper channels of governmental structure for decision-making. The usage of Mayor Schor's official title references his position of governance, and a logo strikingly similar to the City of Lansing's official logo, demonstrates a clear attempt to use his position and influence for personal benefit, thereby compromising the integrity of City government. The letter's intent and actions raise concerns about the integrity and operation of our City government, making it subject to scrutiny by the public by promoting acts or actions that are not compatible with the best interests of the City. ([See 5-501.1](#))

In the letter, the title "mayor" is used consistently to refer to Andy Schor. This frequent reference and usage highlights Mayor Schor's position of authority and reinforces his association with the city's governance and his position of power within it. It serves to remind recipients of the letter that their support has contributed to his current mayoral role and implies a sense of obligation towards the Mayor; IE "I am serving as Mayor because of you..." The repeated usage of the title "Mayor", coupled with the solicitation of contributions for the

Schor Leadership Fund, creates an impression that the solicitation is an official request sanctioned by the City and its governance. This is a clear conflict of interest and abuse of the position of Mayor. This blurs the lines of Mayor Schor's personal political agenda and his role as an elected official, and most concerning, places his personal political goals above the people's right to have a fair and impartial government. ([See 5-501.1](#))

Additionally, the Schor Leadership Fund logo, prominently displayed on the letter sent to constituents and potential donors, bears a clear resemblance to the official City of Lansing logo, as used on the City's website, literature, and official communications from the City of Lansing. The similarities in word placement, font choice, and overall design are evident and cannot be dismissed as mere coincidence. This resemblance raises concerns regarding the inappropriate use of the City of Lansing's official logo for personal and political purposes. As an elected official, Mayor Schor has an obligation to uphold the integrity and impartiality of the City's image. By utilizing a logo that closely mirrors the official City logo, Mayor Schor is misleading constituents and potential donors into believing that his leadership fund is an official city initiative or endorsed by the City itself. ([See 5-501.1](#))

Schor Leadership Fund



City of Lansing Website



Section 5-504 - Protection of public interest: This section outlines the measures that the City of Lansing must adopt to safeguard the public interest in the conduct of public affairs. These include enacting ordinances to establish standards of conduct for City officers and employees, similar to those mandated by the State of Michigan. The ordinances aim to prevent various forms of misconduct, such as prohibiting the use of City office or employment for the private benefit of **any** person, utilizing City resources for private gain, profiting from an official position, and accepting things of value. Violations of these ordinances may lead to legal repercussions, including the possibility of forfeiting one's office or position ([See 5-504.3](#)).

The letter solicits contributions for the Schor Leadership Fund, which is a personal political endeavor of Mayor Schor. By using his position as Mayor to actively seek contributions to

support specific candidates for the City Council that will “continue my vision into the future”, “so I can make sure we have the right partners”, and “will help me support candidates”, Mayor Schor is utilizing his position and influence as Mayor to solicit funds to support and promote individuals who align with his personal political agenda, for his own benefit. This is using his position within City office for the private benefit of both himself and of those candidates. The letter explicitly requests contributions from recipients, which would be considered a thing of value. By accepting these contributions, Mayor Schor may personally profit from his official position, and by actively supporting and funding specific candidates through these funds, Mayor Schor is using his official position to influence the outcome of a City Council election. This potential influence, coupled with accepting contributions for the purpose of promoting certain candidates, violates the prohibition on profiting from an official position and accepting things of value. The repeated usage of the title of “Mayor”, and the usage of the strikingly similar logo (as outlined in the above 5-501 violations) also violates this section. ([See 5-504.2](#))

RE: Sections 5-501 and 5-504, Specific personal benefit and/or personal gain:

Enhanced political power: By supporting specific candidates, the mayor is exerting influence over the composition and decision-making process of the city council. This allows the mayor to shape the direction and policies of the council according to his personal agenda, increasing his political power and influence within the city.

Alignment with personal political goals: Supporting candidates who align with the mayor's personal political goals ensures that his vision and priorities are furthered within the city council. This alignment leads to the advancement of the mayor's political agenda, benefiting him personally in terms of reputation, support, and future political prospects.

Strengthening of political alliances: By providing financial support to candidates, the mayor is cultivating relationships and alliances that can be beneficial in future political endeavors. The support can lead to reciprocal loyalty and collaboration, enabling the mayor to leverage his position for personal gain and political influence.

Maintenance of control and power dynamics: The mayor's support for specific candidates helps to maintain or strengthen their influence and/or control over the city council. This allows the mayor to shape decision-making processes, garner support for his initiatives, and potentially secure favorable outcomes for himself and his preferred stakeholders. It takes away the objectivity of a city council member's objectivity through coercion of power.

Sections 5-505 - Conflict of interest: This section aims to promote transparency, prevent conflicts of interest, and ensure that City officers and employees act in the best interest of the public.

By actively soliciting funds for specific city council candidates, Mayor Schor has created a conflict between his personal political interest and the public interest which should have been fully disclosed to the City Attorney. ([See 5-505.2](#))

By soliciting funds to support specific candidates through the letter, Mayor Schor is involved in a matter with a potential conflict of interest, violating the prohibition on participation in matters with conflicts. ([See 5-505.3](#))

Overall, Mayor Schor's use of his public office's authority, title, and prestige to attain personal gain by soliciting contributions in exchange for influencing city decisions, as stated in our city's ethics code, is inconsistent with the public interest. Mayor Schor is compromising the integrity of his position and using city resources for his private benefit. Mayor Schor's actions are compromising the integrity of the political process and undermining the public's trust in their elected officials. This type of behavior erodes the fundamental principles of transparency, accountability, and equal representation that are crucial for a functioning democracy. It is evident that these actions are in direct violation of our city's ethics code, which mandates that public officers and employees act in the best interests of the City and not for personal gain. The people have a right to expect that their elected officials will prioritize the public interest over personal agendas and that their decisions and actions will be made independently and impartially.

In light of these violations, it is imperative that the Ethics Committee thoroughly investigates this matter and takes appropriate measures to address all aspects of the conflicts of interest and abuse of power displayed by Mayor Schor. The committee must ensure that elected officials are held accountable for their actions and that necessary steps are taken to restore the public's trust in our City's governance. The ethical standards outlined in our city's code of conduct exist to safeguard the best interests of the City and its residents.

We formally request that the Ethics Committee conduct a thorough investigation into these matters, regardless of the outcome of the City Attorney's opinion, to determine the extent of the violations and take appropriate actions as outlined in our city's ethics guidelines. We believe it is imperative to maintain the public's trust in our government and ensure that our elected officials adhere to the highest standards of ethical conduct.

We have attached various supporting documents for your reference. If any further information or clarification is required, please do not hesitate to contact us at the provided contact information.

Attachments:

Schor Leadership Fund Solicitation- Original letter/solicitation.

Schor Leadership Fund Solicitation VISUAL AID- Highlights of concerns.

Schor Leadership Fund Payment Page- The page that the solicitation link directs to.

Codes Index:

5-501.1: The people of this City recognize that the continuation of the proper operation of the City requires that public officers and employees be independent, impartial and responsible to the people; that decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of governmental structure; that members of the public have access to information upon which decisions affecting their City are made; that public office and employment not be used for personal gain; that the integrity and operation of City government to be subject to scrutiny of the public; and that acts or actions not compatible with the best interests of the City be defined and prohibited.

5-504.2: The City shall adopt, by ordinance, no later than one year after the effective date of this section, restrictions similar to those enacted by the State of Michigan by statute, prescribing standards of conduct for City officers and employees. To the extent permitted by law, the ordinances shall generally include, but not be limited to, **prohibiting the use of City office or employment for the private benefit of any person**; prohibiting the divulging of confidential information in advance of the time prescribed for its authorized release to the public; prohibiting the use of City personnel resources for private gain; prohibiting profit from an official position and **acceptance of things of value by City officers or employees**; requiring the financial disclosure by City officers and employees and requiring lobbyist disclosure for all City officers and employees.

5-504.3: Any violations of ordinances dealing with matters in this section shall be punishable to the maximum extent permitted by law and may be made punishable by forfeiture of office or position.

5-505.2: An officer or employee who has any other conflict between a personal interest and the public interest as defined by State law, this Charter, or ordinance, shall fully disclose to the City Attorney the nature of the conflict.

5-505.3: Except as provided by law, no elective officer, appointee or employee of the City may participate in, vote upon or act upon any matter if a conflict exists.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we trust that the Ethics Committee will take appropriate action to address the violations of our city's ethics code.

Sincerely,

The People's Council of Lansing signing members, and supporting Lansing City Council Members:

The People's Council of Lansing

Council President Wood

At Large Council Brown

At Large Council Sptizley

At Large Council Spadafore

1st Ward Council Kost

Vice President Garza

3rd Ward Council Hussain

4th Ward Council Jackson

Fwd: Update: Please Read | Lansing's Future

1 message

Mon, Jun 12, 2023 at 1:52 PM

----- Original Message -----

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Date: 06/12/2023 10:45 AM EDT

Subject: Update: Please Read | Lansing's Future



Dear [REDACTED]

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Please join me in supporting my vision for Lansing and a council that will work to achieve that goal.

Thank you,



Andy Schor
Mayor

Paid for by Schor Leadership Fund

Schor Leadership Fund
P.O. Box 13073
Lansing MI 48901 United States

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Choose an amount:

Your contribution will benefit Andy Schor.

\$50

\$100

\$250

\$500

\$1,000

\$1,500

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CITY OF LANSING STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

This statement must be completed by you and filed with the Lansing City Clerk no later than **May 1 of each year.**

Each and every part of this form must be completed. If you have no information to report, you must note that in that part of the form. If you feel a part is not applicable, you must state your reasoning. Forms with missing or incomplete information will be returned for completion.

The full text of the Financial Interests section 290.08 of the Ethics Ordinance and the Conflict-of-Interest section 5-505 of the City Charter are attached to this disclosure to assist in the full completion of this form. For additional guidance, please contact the Office of the City Attorney.

Reporting Individual to Complete – Basic Filing Information

Name of Reporting Individual Daphne L. Whitfield

Job Title Contract Mgr. Name of Supervisor Toni Young

Principal Address of Reporting Individual 707 Prudhlon St., Lansing, MI 48906

Contact Numbers: 517-319-7356

I, make the foregoing disclosure parts I-IX under oath and assert the statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

[Signature]
Signature

7.6.23
Date

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)ss.
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

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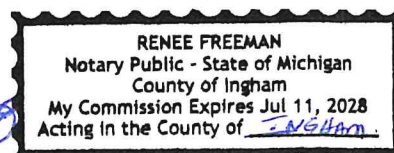
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 6TH day of July, 2023 (year), by Daphne L. Whitfield
(Name of Reporting Individual)

[Signature] (Notary Signature)
RENEE FREEMAN (Print Name) Notary

Public, INGHAM County,

Acting in INGHAM County,

My Commission Expires: 7-11-2028



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Report Terms

For purpose of your disclosures in this form, the following words have the defined meaning:

1. "Benefit" includes the receipt, directly or indirectly, of any payment, gift, grant, pass through to another, forbearance, service, good, real property, personal property, or any other right, title or interest of value.
2. "Organization," includes for profit and nonprofit corporation, partnership, association, club, limited liability company, any group acting as a unit, or any other legal entity.
3. "Past" means the preceding calendar year (past 12 months) from the time this disclosure is filed.
4. "Present" means at the time this disclosure is filed.
5. "City" means City of Lansing
6. "Immediate Family" means a child of an individual, a spouse of an individual, or an individual claimed by that individual or individual's spouse as a dependent under the Internal Revenue Code, or the parents, parents-in-law, brothers, sisters, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, stepparents, stepbrothers or stepsisters of an individual.

Part I

List each and every organization (other than the City) in which you are an officer, director, associate, partner, proprietor or employee, or served in any advisory capacity and from which any income in excess of \$2500 was derived during the preceding calendar year (past 12 months).

Organization's Name	Address	Type of Organization	Your Function/Title	Past 12 Months or Present
Ingham City Health Centers	5303 Cedar St. Lansing, MI 48911	Health Dept.	Board Member	Since Jan. 2023
Nonprofit Network	2800 Springport Rd Jackson, MI 49202	Nonprofit Support Agency	Board Member	Since Jan. 2023
1004 Women Who Care	Lansing, MI	Philanthropic Community org	member	June 2022

Do any of the organizations listed above receive any funding or have any contracts with the City of Lansing?

☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, then please review Part X for additional details on documentation required for submission.

I am on these boards and a part of these organizations and do not receive any monetary compensation.

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Part II

List any capital asset located within the city of Lansing, including the address or legal description of real estate, from which you realized a capital gain of \$5,000 or more in the past (12 months). Do not include any gain from the sale of your principal place of residence.

Asset	Description
NA	

Part III

List each and every past (12 months) and present unit of government, other than the City, for which you are or have been employed.

Unit of Government	Past 12 Months or Present
NA	

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Part IV

List each and every person, or organization from which you received in the past (12 months), or that has presently promised you, one or more gifts or honoraria having an aggregate value in excess of \$500. This does not include gifts from relatives, nor a campaign contribution or expenditure required to be recorded or reported under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act.

Name	Address of Principle Residence	Nature of Gift	Value of Gift	Past 12 Months or Present

Do any of the organizations listed above receive any funding or have any contracts with the City of Lansing?

☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, please provide additional information on the nature of the Financial Interest.

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Part V

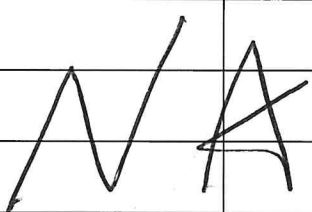
List each and every name of and instrument of ownership in any organization conducting business within the city of Lansing in which you, or a member of your Immediate Family had or have a financial interest in the past (12 months) or present. Ownership interests in publicly held corporations need not be disclosed.

Name	Address	Instrument of Ownership	Past 12 Months or Present
	NA		

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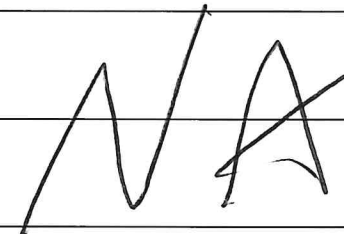
Part VI

Identify each and every parcel of real property, past (12 months) or present, and describe your right, title or interest, or your financial interest in the parcel if the city of Lansing may also possess a real property interest or maintain public utility improvements in the parcel. Include all forms of your direct ownership or indirect ownership such as partnerships or trusts of which the corpus consists primarily of real estate. Do not include your principal place of residence. Include real property both within and outside the city of Lansing.

Address or Description of Real Estate	Nature of Right or Interest	Past 12 Months or Present
		

Part VII

List each and every person or organization that has applied to the City for a license, franchise, or permit, or requested annexation, zoning or rezoning of real property, past (12 months) or present, if you, or a member of your Immediate Family has a financial interest in such a person or organization. Include the nature of the City action requested.

Name of Contracting Person or Organization	Names of Applicable Immediate Family Member(s)	Nature of Interest	Past 12 Months or Present
			

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Part VIII

List each and every person or organization doing independent contracting business with the City in which you, or a member of your immediate family, had (within the past 12 months) or currently have a financial interest or personal interest. Include the title and description of any position held by you, or the member of your Immediate Family, in the organization.

Name of Person or Organization	Nature of Financial Interest	Title or Description of Position Held by Reporting Individual or Immediate Family	Past 12 Months or Present

If yes, please provide additional information on the nature of the Financial Interest.

Part IX

If you, your Immediate Family, or any organization you are required to disclose under Part I, had or have in the past (12 months) or present, a contract, agreement, arrangement or participate in a program with the City that directly or indirectly benefits you, your Immediate Family, or the organization you must provide:

- A written statement containing a detailed description and explanation of the contract, agreement, arrangement or program and the nature of involvement and participation therein by you, your Immediate Family or the organization and describe all the beneficiaries thereof.
- Provide separate written statements for each contract agreement, arrangement and program and include a full and complete statement of the program, performance, beneficiaries, compensation, duties and obligations therein.

Please note that this disclosure is intended to include contracts, agreements, and arrangements that are formal or informal, written or oral, and direct or indirect.



CITY OF LANSING
AFFIDAVIT OF DISCLOSURE

TO: CITY CLERK

DATE: June 29, 2023

I, Jeffrey Brown make the following disclosure under oath:
Name (please print)

PLEASE CHECK THE BOX AND FILL IN THE APPROPRIATE BLANKS FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

Yes No

1. ☒ ☐ I am an ☒ elected or ☐ appointed ☐ officer or ☐ employee of the City of Lansing holding the position of City Council in the City Council Department.

☐ ☒ I am an immediate family member related to an elected or appointed officer or employee of the City of Lansing named _____, holding the position of _____ in the _____ Department

☐ ☒ I am a Business Associate of an elected or appointed officer or employee of the City of Lansing named _____ holding the position of _____ in the _____ Department.

2. ☐ ☒ I may derive income or benefit directly or indirectly from the bidding of, negotiation of, solicitation of or entry into a contract with the City or from any City action detailed below. (Charter 5-505.1)

☒ ☐ I may have a conflict between a personal interest and the public interest, the nature of which is disclosed below. (Charter 5-505.2)
[Chapter 290.04(I) of the Code of Ordinances]

☐ ☒ I may have a financial interest in a matter proposed to be acted upon by the City of Lansing as described below. [Chapter 290.04(I) of the Code of Ordinances]

☒ ☐ I make this disclosure because of a possible appearance that I may be in violation of or in conflict with the City of Lansing Ethics Ordinance as provided for in the Code of Ordinances and in the City Charter.

3. My City of Lansing position is:

☐ Full-time ☒ Part-time (less than 25 hours/wk) ☐ Unpaid

4. Name of the activity/business in question: Mission trip to Philippines

5. Do you have ownership or interest in the activity/business? Yes _____ No X

6. Does this activity/business conduct business with the City of Lansing? Yes _____ No X
If yes, please explain _____

7. Does the activity/business depend on you being an employee of the City of Lansing?
Yes _____ No X
If yes, please explain: _____

8. Who are the clients/customers of the activity/business?
Community Faith Church

9. Does this activity/business require your using equipment/facilities of the City of Lansing?
Yes X No _____
If yes, please explain: Used city cell phone for city business

10. Does the activity/business use any advertisements or circulars that reference your employment with the City of Lansing? Yes _____ No X
If yes, please attach copies.

11. Explain what you will be doing in the activity/business:
teaching faith-based activities

12. Explain why you believe a conflict may/may not exist with this activity/business:
trip (flight) ^{& stay} paid for by Community Faith Church in the amount of \$2,600

13. Is there any additional information that you believe would assist the Board of Ethics in its review of your business or personal activities for potential conflicts of interest? Yes _____ No X
If so, please describe:

In providing this additional information, the Board of Ethics asks that you give special attention to the Conflicts of Interest section of the Charter found at 5-505.1 – 5-505.3. A copy is enclosed for your convenience.

I hereby certify that this disclosure is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. The foregoing Affidavit of Disclosure was executed on this 29 day of June, 2023.

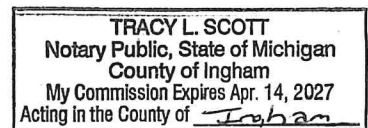
[Signature]
Signature of Filer

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)ss.
COUNTY OF Ingham)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29th day of June, 2023 (year), by Tracy L. Scott (Notary Signature)

Tracy L. Scott (Print Name)

Notary Public, Ingham County,
Acting in Ingham County,
My Commission Expires: 4-14-27



Amendment
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Reporting Individual to Complete – Basic Filing Information

Name of Reporting Individual Jeffrey Brown

Job Title City Council Name of Supervisor Citizens

Principal Address of Reporting Individual 2501 Arbor Forest Drive Lansing, Mi
48910

Contact Numbers: 517-940-1004

I, make the foregoing disclosure parts I-IX under oath and assert the statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Jeffrey Brown
Signature

June 28, 2023
Date

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF Ingham)ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 28 day of June,

2023 (year), by JEFFREY BROWN
(Name of Reporting Individual)

Brian P Jackson (Notary Signature)

Brian P Jackson (Print Name) Notary

Public, Ingham County,

Acting in Ingham County,

My Commission Expires: July 27, 2023

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Report Terms

For purpose of your disclosures in this form, the following words have the defined meaning:

1. "Benefit" includes the receipt, directly or indirectly, of any payment, gift, grant, pass through to another, forbearance, service, good, real property, personal property, or any other right, title or interest of value.
2. "Organization," includes for profit and nonprofit corporation, partnership, association, club, limited liability company, any group acting as a unit, or any other legal entity.
3. "Past" means the preceding calendar year (past 12 months) from the time this disclosure is filed.
4. "Present" means at the time this disclosure is filed.
5. "City" means City of Lansing
6. "Immediate Family" means a child of an individual, a spouse of an individual, or an individual claimed by that individual or individual's spouse as a dependent under the Internal Revenue Code, or the parents, parents-in-law, brothers, sisters, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, stepparents, stepbrothers or stepsisters of an individual.

Part I

List each and every organization (other than the City) in which you are an officer, director, associate, partner, proprietor or employee, or served in any advisory capacity and from which any income in excess of \$2500 was derived during the preceding calendar year (past 12 months).

Organization's Name	Address	Type of Organization	Your Function/Title	Past 12 Months or Present
<i>Inspire Global</i>	<i>2501 Arbor Forest Drive Lansing, MI 48910</i>	<i>LLC</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Present</i>

Do any of the organizations listed above receive any funding or have any contracts with the City of Lansing?

☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, then please review Part X for additional details on documentation required for submission.

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Part II

List any capital asset located within the city of Lansing, including the address or legal description of real estate, from which you realized a capital gain of \$5,000 or more in the past (12 months). Do not include any gain from the sale of your principal place of residence.

Asset	Description
	N/A

Part III

List each and every past (12 months) and present unit of government, other than the City, for which you are or have been employed.

Unit of Government	Past 12 Months or Present
N/A	

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Part IV

List each and every person, or organization from which you received in the past (12 months), or that has presently promised you, one or more gifts or honoraria having an aggregate value in excess of \$500. This does not include gifts from relatives, nor a campaign contribution or expenditure required to be recorded or reported under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act.

Name	Address of Principle Residence	Nature of Gift	Value of Gift	Past 12 Months or Present
Community Faith Church	4801 E. Willoughby Rd Holt, MI 48842	Missions	\$2,600.00	May 3, 2023

Do any of the organizations listed above receive any funding or have any contracts with the City of Lansing?

☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, please provide additional information on the nature of the Financial Interest.

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Part V

List each and every name of and instrument of ownership in any organization conducting business within the city of Lansing in which you, or a member of your Immediate Family had or have a financial interest in the past (12 months) or present. Ownership interests in publicly held corporations need not be disclosed.

Name	Address	Instrument of Ownership	Past 12 Months or Present
Inspire Global	2501 Arbor Forest Drive Lansing, Mi 48910	100 %	present

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Part VI

Identify each and every parcel of real property, past (12 months) or present, and describe your right, title or interest, or your financial interest in the parcel if the city of Lansing may also possess a real property interest or maintain public utility improvements in the parcel. Include all forms of your direct ownership or indirect ownership such as partnerships or trusts of which the corpus consists primarily of real estate. Do not include your principal place of residence. Include real property both within and outside the city of Lansing.

Address or Description of Real Estate	Nature of Right or Interest	Past 12 Months or Present
N/A		

Part VII

List each and every person or organization that has applied to the City for a license, franchise, or permit, or requested annexation, zoning or rezoning of real property, past (12 months) or present, if you, or a member of your Immediate Family has a financial interest in such a person or organization. Include the nature of the City action requested.

Name of Contracting Person or Organization	Names of Applicable Immediate Family Member(s)	Nature of Interest	Past 12 Months or Present
	N/A		

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Part VIII

List each and every person or organization doing independent contracting business with the City in which you, or a member of your immediate family, had (within the past 12 months) or currently have a financial interest or personal interest. Include the title and description of any position held by you, or the member of your Immediate Family, in the organization.

Name of Person or Organization	Nature of Financial Interest	Title or Description of Position Held by Reporting Individual or Immediate Family	Past 12 Months or Present
	N/A		

If yes, please provide additional information on the nature of the Financial Interest.

Part IX

If you, your Immediate Family, or any organization you are required to disclose under Part I, had or have in the past (12 months) or present, a contract, agreement, arrangement or participate in a program with the City that directly or indirectly benefits you, your Immediate Family, or the organization you must provide:

- A written statement containing a detailed description and explanation of the contract, agreement, arrangement or program and the nature of involvement and participation therein by you, your Immediate Family or the organization and describe all the beneficiaries thereof.
- Provide separate written statements for each contract agreement, arrangement and program and include a full and complete statement of the program, performance, beneficiaries, compensation, duties and obligations therein.

Please note that this disclosure is intended to include contracts, agreements, and arrangements that are formal or informal, written or oral, and direct or indirect.