

BILL NO. 25-161

AN ORDINANCE RENEWING THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT'S PROCEDURE FOR DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS, PURSUANT TO SEC. 2-75 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Section 2-75. Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri be readopted to read as follows:

"Sec. 2-75. Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest

- A. *Declaration of Policy.* The proper operation of municipal government requires that public officials and employees be independent, impartial and responsible to the people; that government decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of the governmental structure; that public office not be used for personal gain; and, that the public have confidence in the integrity of its government. In recognition of these goals, there is hereby established a procedure for disclosure by certain officials and employees of private financial or other interests in matters affecting the City.
- B. *Conflicts of Interest.* The Mayor or any Councilmember who has any direct or indirect substantial personal or private interest, as defined by Section 105.450(11), (12), Missouri Revised Statutes, in any bill shall disclose on the records of the City Council the nature of his/her interest and shall disqualify himself/herself from voting on or participating in any matters relating to this interest. Any elected or appointed officer, employee, or member of any committee, authority board or commission of the City who has a direct or indirect substantial interest or who has any direct or indirect substantial financial interest, as defined by Section 105.450(11), (12), Missouri Revised Statutes, in any bill shall disclose on the records of the City Council the nature of his/her interest and shall disqualify himself/herself from voting on or participating in any matters relating to this interest.
- C. *Disclosure Statements.* Each elected official, the City Manager, the Assistant City Manager, the City Attorney, the Director of Finance, the City Clerk and the City Purchasing Agent shall disclose the following information by May 1 if any such transactions were engaged in during the previous calendar year:
 - 1. For such person, and all persons within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity of such person, the date and the identities of the parties to each transaction with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), if any that such person had with the City of Lee's Summit, other than compensation received as an elected official or as an employee or payment of any tax, fee or penalty due to the City of Lee's Summit, and other than transfers for no consideration to the City of Lee's Summit; and,
 - 2. The date and the identities of the parties to each transaction known to the person with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), if any, that any business entity in which such person had a substantial interest, as defined by Section 105.450(11) RSMo, had with the City of Lee's Summit, other than

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payment of any tax, fee or penalty due to the City of Lee's Summit or transactions involving payment for providing utility service to the City of Lee's Summit, and other than transfers for no consideration to the City of Lee's Summit.

3. The City Manager, the Assistant City Manager(s), the City Attorney, the Director of Finance, the City Clerk and the City Purchasing Agent also shall disclose by May 1 the following information for the previous calendar year:
 - a. The name and address of each of the employers of such person from whom income of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or more was received during the year covered by the statement;
 - b. The name and address of each sole proprietorship that he/she owned; the name, address and the general nature of the business conducted of each general partnership and joint venture in which he/she was a partner or participant; the name and address of each partner or co-participant for each partnership or joint venture unless such names and addresses are filed by the partnership or joint venture with the Secretary of State; the name, address and general nature of the business conducted of any closely held corporation or limited partnership in which the person owned ten percent or more of any class of the outstanding stock or limited partnership units; and, the name or any publicly traded corporation or limited partnership that is listed on a regulated stock exchange or automated quotation system in which the person owned two percent or more of any class of outstanding stock, limited partnership units or other equity interests;
 - c. The name and address of each corporation for which such person served in the capacity of a director, officer or receiver.
- D. Filing of Statements. The statements shall be filed with the City Clerk and the Ethics Commission. The statements shall be available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.
- E. When Filed. The financial disclosure statements shall be filed at the following times, but no person is required to file more than one financial disclosure statement in any calendar year.
 1. Each person who is subject to this ordinance shall file the statement within thirty (30) days of such appointment or employment.
 2. Every other person required to file a financial disclosure statement shall file the statement annually not later than May 1 and the statement shall cover the calendar year ending the immediately preceding December 31; provided that any member of the City Council may supplement the financial disclosure statement to report additional interests acquired after December 31 of the covered year until the date of filing of the financial disclosure statement.

SECTION 2. Filing of Ordinance. The City Clerk shall send a certified copy of this ordinance to the Missouri Secretary of State's office within ten (10) days of adoption.

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SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by the Council.

PASSED by the Council for the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor William A. Baird

ATTEST:

City Clerk Trisha Fowler Arcuri

APPROVED by the Mayor of said city this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor William A. Baird

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City Clerk Trisha Fowler Arcuri

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney Brian W. Head