



MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
Board of Ethics

April 26, 2022

Subject: *Ethics Complaint for Potential Violation 2021-14*

Allegation: Violation of AMC 1.15.040 – Use of Municipal Resources; and AMC 1.15.060 – Conflict of Interest.

On December 14, 2021, the Board of Ethics (“the Board”) received Ethics Complaint for Potential Violation 2021-14 (“the Complaint”). The complainant alleged a municipal employee has a conflict of interest and misused municipal resources regarding the employee’s business.

The Board reviewed the complaint at its February 16, 2022, meeting and determined that it needed additional information from the complainant to investigate the Complaint. The Board requested the complainant to provide the additional information via email on February 24, 2022, and again on April 4, 2022, but did not receive any response. Therefore, the Board declined to review the complaint further.

Explanation of Finding

AMC 1.15.040 prohibits municipal employees from using municipal resources for outside business interests or personal endeavors, including contemporaneous employment. AMC 1.15.060 generally prohibits municipal employees from participating in an official action in which the employee has a substantial financial or private interest. The Board understood the Complaint to describe a situation which could have created conflicts of interest for the municipal employee at issue, which would require disclosure, recusal, or other action pursuant to the Ethics Code. However, the Board did not have sufficient information to investigate the Complaint and has not received any additional information from the Complainant in response to its requests. Because the Board finds that the complainant lacks sufficient supporting information, it declines further review of the Complaint it in accordance with AMC 1.15.160A.2.f.

Approved by the Municipality of Anchorage Board of Ethics

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