

## MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE BOARD OF ETHICS

C/o Municipal Clerk's Office 632 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ste. 250 Anchorage, AK 99501

March 25, 2025



Re: Ethics Complaint for Potential Violation 2025-01: Use of Municipal Resources

Dear :

Thank you for submitting your ethics complaint for a potential violation of the municipal ethics code. Concerned and proactive citizens are essential for integrity in government and the board of ethics appreciates the time you devoted to the complaint.

The board of ethics considered your complaint at its meeting on March 20, 2025. The board declined to review it further pursuant to AMC 1.15.160A.2(f) because, the "complainant lacks sufficient supporting information." You attached a Facebook post to your complaint. The post showed messages such as "delete DOGE" and "we support federal workers" that were projected on the brick exterior of a municipal building using light projector technology. You did not provide any supporting information identifying who was responsible for projecting the messages. In block two of your complaint, when you were told you must identify the respondent and list the name of the person that you believe committed a potential violation, you wrote "Not sure. But the assembly is where I would start."

The scope of the code of ethics applies to public servants, which include municipal employees, board members, or elected officials. In your complaint, you attached an email with a link to a PBS Newshour story, which outlined how activist groups were using projection artists to display messages on large buildings using new projectors that could be charged through the charger port on a car. Notably, these private activist groups would not be subject to the code of ethics and the board does not have jurisdiction or authority to investigate or regulate the conduct of individuals who are not public servants. If you have any supporting information showing that a specific municipal employee, board member, or elected official was responsible for projecting the message, you may refile your complaint and attach that supporting information.

Thank you for raising your concerns with the Municipal Board of Ethics.

Respectfully,

Municipality of Anchorage Board of Ethics

Daniel Bellerive, Chair

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