

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

AN ORDINANCE _____

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September 21, 2010
Ethics Board

Amending Section 3.35(5)(a)2. of the Madison General Ordinances to allow an incumbent to solicit funds under certain provisions.

Drafted by: Michael May

Date: September 14, 2010

SPONSOR: Alder Verveer

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance allows an incumbent to solicit donations from third parties provided the funds are to be used for a City project or a conference held in the City, has been approved by the Common Council, the incumbent is not associated with the entity receiving the funds, and a detailed report is filed with the City Clerk within six months of the transaction.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

Paragraph 2. entitled "Influence and Reward" of Subdivision (a) of Subsection (5) entitled "Standards of Conduct" of Section 3.35 entitled "Code of Ethics" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"2. Influence and Reward. No person or entity may offer or give to an incumbent or member of an incumbent's immediate family, directly or indirectly, and no incumbent may solicit or accept from any person or entity, directly or indirectly, anything of value if it could reasonably be expected to influence the incumbent's vote, official actions or judgment, or could reasonably be considered as a reward for any official action or inaction on her or his part.

This Sub. 2. does not prohibit an incumbent from soliciting donations from third parties provided that:

- (i) The funds are to be used for a City project or for a conference to be held within the City;
- (ii) The solicitation has been approved by a resolution of the Common Council;
- (iii) The entity receiving the funds is not an entity with which the incumbent is associated; and
- (iv) A report of the amount and contributor for all donations is filed with the City Clerk within six (6) months of the receipt of the donation."

Approved as to form: