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ORDINANCE NUMBER 1327

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE IV,
"PUBLIC ETHICS," OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2011, the City Council adopted Ordinance 1318 to Repeal Article IV "Ethics" and Reenact Article IV "Public Ethics", of Chapter 2 "Administration" of the Greenbelt City Code to comply with newly enacted State Ethics Law requirements; and

WHEREAS, based on recent clarification from the State Ethics Commission, Council approved changes to the reporting requirements for appointed members of boards and commissions. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that Chapter 2 of the City Code is amended to read as follows:

Chapter 2

ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE IV. ETHICS

Section 2-112. Financial Disclosure – Appointed Members of Boards and Commissions

- (a) ~~(1)~~ — ~~The City of Greenbelt appointed officials listed in paragraph (b) of this section shall file the statement required by section 2-111 of this article.~~ This section applies to appointed officials.
- ~~(2)~~ (1) The appointed officials of the Greenbelt Ethics Commission and others identified from time to time by the City Council, shall be required to disclose the information specified in section 2-111(g) of this article only with respect to those interests, gifts, compensated positions, and liabilities that may create a conflict, as provided in section 2-110 of this article, between the member's personal interests and the member's official local duties.

(2) The appointed officials of the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board and Board of Appeals and others identified from time to time by the City Council shall be required to disclose the information specified on the City's Annual Report of Financial Interest.

a) The Annual Report of Financial Interest Form shall include:

- 1) Business Interests in any business, firm, corporation or association that does business with the City in which the ownership interest of the advisory board member, the member's spouse, or his/her dependent children hold, jointly or severally, more than 3% of the invested capital or capital stock or in which the ownership interest is valued in excess of \$1,000; and the names of such other persons who during the report year held ownership interest if they number fewer than 100.
- 2) Real Estate Interests to include the names of other persons who may share or have shared during the report period ownership interest in the property, if such persons number fewer than 100.
- 3) Sources of Income to include the name, address, and reason for payment of any income in excess of \$1,000 received during the report period by the advisory board member, the member's spouse, or his/her dependent children, except income received from the City or from interest and dividends received from savings accounts established in financial institutions or interest received from other securities of a governmental jurisdiction.
- 4) Loan Information to include the name and address of any person, firm, corporation or association from whom a loan in excess of \$1,000 has been obtained. (Not required for any loan from a relative or an established financial or lending institution or a business that offers a revolving charge account or credit plan for the installment purchase of goods and services.)
- 5) Schedule of Gifts in Excess of \$50 or totaling \$100 or more, directly or indirectly, from any person who does business with the City of Greenbelt.

(3) An appointed official shall file a statement or report required under this section annually, not later than April 30 of each calendar year during which the official holds office.

~~(b) — Appointed officials required to file:~~

~~Each member of the City of Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Ethics Commission, and others identified from time to time by the city council, must file an annual conflict of interest disclosure statement with the commission.~~

(e) (b) The commission shall maintain all disclosure statements and reports of financial interest filed under this section as public records available for public inspection and copying as provided in section 2-111(e) of this article.
(Ord. No. 1318, 9-26-11)

Passed by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of April 22, 2013.

Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk

Key:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

~~Overstriking~~ indicates language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.