

City of Bloomington Common Council

Legislative Packet Addendum 3

Containing additional materials related to:

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Regular Session at 6:30pm

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Resident-led Boards and Commissions are a vital part of municipal government. They provide opportunities for resident representation and bring the skills of subject matter experts to bear on the workings of the city. By serving on a board or commission, a Bloomington resident can provide valuable insights to the Mayor and City Council on a variety of important issues.

Code of Conduct:

Members appointed to City Boards and Commissions shall comply with all applicable federal laws, state laws, city ordinances and resolutions, and city policies in the performance of their public duties.

Members shall be patient, respectful, polite, and courteous to each other, as well as to members of the public and City staff and shall act ethically in all matters before the body.

Members shall not engage in behavior or speech that is detrimental to City operations or the public interest.

Members shall respect the rule of the chair and City staff, follow the procedures set forth in code, bylaws, or rules and regulations, and in Robert's Rules of Order.

When speaking, members shall be mindful of the public's time and of fellow members' time, and shall remain on topic and without unnecessary repetition to facilitate the work of the board or commission.

Representing the Commission:

Authority is granted to a board or commission as a body, not to individual members. No individual member of the board or commission may speak on behalf of the body, or on behalf of the city, unless specifically authorized to do so. Individual members should not include their commission membership on their personal email signature block.

Conflict of Interest:

No member shall participate in the discussion or the vote on an issue in which a person stands to personally or financially gain. This includes business interests as well as interests of family members and dependents. Members must disclose the conflict, submit required paperwork to the state or the city, and recuse themselves from deliberation and voting on the matter.

Political Involvement:

Any member may participate in political or campaign activities as an individual, but shall refrain from representing themselves as a member of a board or commission, or a representative of the city, while engaging in political activities.

Confidentiality:

Members shall maintain confidentiality and shall not share or discuss any confidential information received as a member of a board or commission.

Attendance:

Members shall attend regularly scheduled meetings of the board or commission and, unless otherwise excused, shall be removed from the board or commission after failure to attend three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings or four regularly scheduled meetings in any twelve-month period.

Residency:

In the event a member of a board, commission or council no longer resides in the city, unless otherwise provided by applicable law or code, the member shall resign immediately and notify City staff and the City Clerk's office.

Member Pledge and signature is on the following page.

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Member Pledge:

I, [appointee name:] _____ have been appointed to the [name of board:] _____ by [appointing body:] _____ for the term beginning [start date:] _____ and ending [end date:] _____.

I pledge to follow this Code of Conduct during the tenure of my public service as an appointed member of a City of Bloomington Board or Commission.

Signature:

Date:

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