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James Klahr
Executive Director

October 6, 2014

Robert Shockey
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St. Louis MO 63123

MEC No. 14E163

Dear Mr. Shockey:

On August 14, 2014, the Commission referred this case to the City Council of the City of Arnold regarding the allegation you were in violation of the city's purchasing ordinance. We have received correspondence from the city attorney that the city has taken action by directing that all future purchases follow the purchasing ordinance.

Based on the attached letter received from Robert Sweeney, attorney for the City of Arnold, the Commission voted on October 2, 2014 to close this complaint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Klahr".

James Klahr
Executive Director

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September 15, 2014

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Re: MEC 14E163/Robert Shockey

Dear Mr. Klahr:

The City of Arnold has asked me to respond to your correspondence dated August 18, 2014. For your records, the City of Arnold ("City") responded to the issue regarding the enforcement of Chapter 2, Article 6, Division 2-280(d) of the City's Code of Ordinances ("purchasing ordinance") even before the formal investigation by the Missouri Ethics Commission.

While the allegations against Chief Shockey were political in nature, it did inform the City of its lax enforcement of the purchasing ordinance. To be specific, once the allegation regarding the purchasing order came to light, and a review of the ordinance was had, the City Administrator met with all department heads and reminded and reinforced the requirements of the purchasing ordinance. A review of all purchases showed that the ordinance had occasionally been ignored for minor purchases basically since the inception of the ordinance. Those examples were discussed and department heads were directed to ensure that all future purchases adhered to the dictates of the purchasing ordinance.

Very truly yours,



Robert K. Sweeney
City Counselor

RKS:lf

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