

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 2-7-27 (LIMITS ON THE COMMISSION'S JURISDICTION) REGARDING THE LIST OF CITY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OVER WHICH THE ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION HAS JURISDICTION FOR CERTAIN COMPLAINTS; AND AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 2-7-71 (DEFINITIONS) REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF CITY OFFICIALS AS THAT TERM IS USED IN ARTICLE 5 (FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES) OF CITY CODE CHAPTER 2-7 (ETHICS AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE).

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. City Code Section 2-7-27 (*Limits on the Commission's Jurisdiction*) is amended to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of the City Code, the Ethics Review Commission may ~~[not]~~only hear or initiate a sworn complaint alleging a violation of Article 4 (*Code of Ethics*) against ~~[an employee described in Section 2-3-5(L)(2), including a member of the City's classified municipal civil service system or a member of a state civil service system]~~a member of the city council or their direct staff; a person appointed by the city council pursuant to the City Charter; or a person appointed by the city council to a City board, task force, or similar body.

PART 2. Subsection (1) of City Code Section 2-7-71(*Definitions*) is amended to read:

(1)CITY OFFICIAL means the mayor, members of the city council and their aides, ~~[M]~~municipal ~~[C]~~court ~~[J]~~judges (including ~~[S]~~substitute ~~[J]~~judges), city manager, deputy city manager, [A]assistant city managers, chief of staff to the city manager, city clerk, ~~[D]~~deputy city clerks, city attorney, ~~[D]~~deputy city attorneys, ~~[T]~~treasurer, ~~[C]~~comptroller, ~~[C]~~city ~~[A]~~auditor, ~~[P]~~purchasing ~~[O]~~officer, the initial and subsequent commissioners of the Conventions and Visitors Commission, all department heads, deputy department heads, ~~[and where no deputy department head serves, the first principal assistant of such department]~~any other executive employees or employees as designated by the city manager, and spouses of each, and spouses of and the members of the City boards and commissions described in Section 2-7-72(C) (*Reports*). City appointees to other

governmental bodies may be required to file financial information statements
without being deemed City officials under Section 2-7-2 (*Definitions*).

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED

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_____, 2025	§	
		Kirk Watson
		Mayor

APPROVED: _____
Deborah Thomas
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Erika Brady
City Clerk