



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Councilors
From: Rich Olson, City Manager
Date: July 5, 2013
Re: Code of Ethics

During and after the June 24, 2013 City Council meeting, Councilman Walton requested that the City Attorney provide an opinion regarding whether Councilwoman Baker violated the City's Code of Ethics by requesting that a house located at 1015 W. Church Street under consideration for condemnation be removed from the June 10, 2013 meeting agenda. Subsequently, this house at 1015 W. Church Street was condemned by the City Council during the June 24, 2013 meeting.

The City's Code of Ethics requires that the City Council, not an individual member of the Council, must direct the City Attorney to investigate an alleged violation of the Code of Ethics. For the City Attorney to render an opinion, he must investigate the facts.

I have attached a copy of Mr. Morgan's letter to the Council, which has been previously provided to you by email.

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