

CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 676

AN ORDINANCE, relating to public disclosure; requiring disclosure statements of elective officials and candidates to be filed with the office of the City Clerk; adopting portions of RCW Chapter 42.17 by reference; and providing penalties for violations.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Declaration of policy. It is hereby declared to be the public policy of the City of Redmond:

- (1) That political campaign and lobbying contributions and expenditures be fully disclosed to the public and that secrecy is to be avoided.
- (2) That the people have the right to expect from their elected representatives at all levels of government the utmost of integrity, honesty and fairness in their dealings.
- (3) That the people shall be assured that the private financial and other dealings of their public officials, and of candidates for those offices, present no conflict of interest between the public trust and private interests.
- (4) That our representative form of government is founded on a belief that those entrusted with the offices of government have nothing to fear from full public disclosure of their financial and business holdings, activities and dealings, provided those officials deal honestly and fairly with the people.
- (5) That public confidence in government at all levels is essential and must be promoted by all possible means.
- (6) That public confidence in government at all levels can best be sustained by assuring the people of the impartiality and honesty of the officials in all public transactions and decisions.
- (7) That the concept of attempting to increase financial participation of individual contributors in political campaigns is encouraged by the passage of the Revenue Act of 1971 by the Congress of the United States, and in consequence thereof, it is desirable to have implementing legislation at the state and local level.
- (8) That the concepts of disclosure and limitation of election campaign financing are established by the passage of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 by the Congress of the United States, and in consequence thereof it is desirable to have implementing legislation at the state and local level.
- (9) That small contributions by individual contributors are to be encouraged, and that not requiring the reporting of small contributions may tend to encourage such contributions.

- (10) That the public's right to know of the financing of political campaigns and the financial and business affairs and activities of elected officials and candidates far outweighs any right that these matters remain secret and private.

The provisions of this ordinance shall be liberally construed to promote complete disclosure of all information respecting the financing of political campaigns and the financial and business affairs and activities of elected officials and candidates, so as to assure continuing public confidence in fairness of elections and governmental processes, and so as to assure that the public interest will be fully protected.

Section 2. Local filing requirements for disclosure statements - additional information required. All elected officials and candidates for elective office for the City of Redmond shall file with the City Clerk, subject to public inspection, their public disclosure statements, which they are required to file with the Public Disclosure Commission pursuant to the provisions of RCW Chapter 42.17. All elected officials shall also be required to file with the City Clerk copies of all campaign expenditure disclosure statements that are now required to be filed with the Public Disclosure Commission pursuant to the provisions of RCW Chapter 42.17. Every candidate and officeholder shall also cause to be filed and to be kept current on forms to be provided by the City Clerk, a statement of the following information:

- (1) A statement of the educational background of the candidate, showing school attended, major subjects or degrees obtained.
- (2) The employment background of the candidate or officeholder listing all jobs and job titles including as to the last five years' employment, the name of the immediate supervisor of said candidate or official.
- (3) A list of all organizations, private or public, to which the candidate or officeholder belongs, other than those not already disclosed on Form F-1 filed with the Public Disclosure Commission.

Said information shall be available to the public for its inspection during regular working hours.

The times and dates upon which said information shall be filed shall be those applicable for the filing of the same or similar information before the Public Disclosure Commission, except that the initial statement shall be filed within 30 days from the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 3. State statutes adopted by reference. The following statutes of the State of Washington are hereby adopted by reference pursuant to the authority contained in RCW 35A.12.140:

- RCW 42.17.390 Civil remedies and sanctions, except sub-division (1) (b) thereof.
- RCW 42.17.400 Enforcement.
- RCW 42.17.410 Limitation on actions.
- RCW 42.17.420 Date of mailing deemed date of receipt.
- RCW 42.17.430 Certification of reports.
- RCW 42.17.440 Statements and reports public records.
- RCW 42.17.450 Duty to preserve statements and reports.

RCW 42.17.910 Severability.

RCW 42.17.920 Construction.

Provided, that wherever the words "this chapter" or "this act" are used in the foregoing State statutes, the same shall be construed to mean this ordinance.

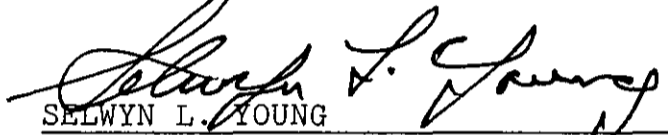
Not less than three copies of the above statutes shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk for use and examination by the public.

Section 4. Penalties for violations. In addition to or as an alternative to the civil penalties provided in the State statutes adopted by Section 3 of this ordinance, any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished as provided by Section 1.01.110 of the Redmond Municipal Code.

Section 5. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after the date of its publication in the manner provided by law.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, and APPROVED by the Mayor this 18 day of February, 1975.

CITY OF REDMOND


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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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