

Ordinance 11-13

To repeal and recreate portions of Sec. 2-584. – Duties of ethics board; of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin.

The Common Council of the City of Racine, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Part 1: Section (b) the Racine Municipal Code Sec. 2-584 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

“(b) The board shall accept from any officer, employee, citizen of the City of Racine or person involved in any City transaction, a verified complaint, in writing, relating to the code of ethics as it applies to officers and employees of the city. Such verified complaint shall specify the activities of such officer or employee which are alleged to be in violation of the code of ethics.”

Part 2: Subsection (2) of the Racine Municipal Code Sec. 2-584 shall be renumbered to “(3)” and numbering shall continue consecutively from that point on.

Part 3: In the Racine Municipal Code Sec. 2-584, a new subsection (2) shall read as follows:

“(2) Within seven (7) days of the service of notice upon the complainant of the finding of probable cause, the complainant may elect to have his or her hearing held before the Ethics Board of the City of Kenosha, rather than the Ethics Board of the City of Racine. To do so, the complainant must submit a change of venue request, in writing, and file this request with the Racine City Clerk. If a timely written change of venue request is filed with the Racine City Clerk, the hearing will be held before the Ethics Board of the City of Kenosha. Failure of the complainant to timely file the written objection shall be deemed a waiver of the complainant’s right to object in which case the hearing on the ethics complaint shall proceed before the Ethics Board of the City of Racine.”

Part 4: In the previously numbered subsection (4), (now subsection (5)), the “-“ in Wis. Stats. § 227.45-1 shall be changed to a “.” so that it reads “227.45(1).”

Part 5: In the previously numbered subsection (8), (now subsection (9)), the words “City of Racine” shall be inserted before the words “board of police.”

Part 6: In the previously numbered subsection (10) a. (now subsection (11) a.), put a “.” at the end of the sentence.

Part 7: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the members-elect of the City common council and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed by the Common Council:

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Approved:

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Fiscal Note: N/A