

BILL NO. 23-027 **ORDINANCE NO.** 2.202

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA, MISSOURI, REAFFIRMING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE FAIR AND ETHICAL DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Declaration Of Policy.

The proper operation of municipal government requires that public officials and employees be independent, impartial and responsible to the people; that government decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of the governmental structure; that public office not be used for personal gain; and that the public have confidence in the integrity of its government. In recognition of these goals, this Ordinance affirms the City's commitment to this policy and re-adopts a procedure for disclosure by certain officials and employees of private financial or other interests in matters affecting the City of California.

SECTION 2. Conflicts Of Interest.

The Mayor or any member of the Board of Aldermen who has a substantial personal or private interest as defined by State law, in any bill, shall disclose on the records of the Board of Aldermen the nature of his or her interest and shall disqualify himself or herself from voting on any matters relating to this interest.

SECTION 3. Disclosure Reports.

Each elected official, the Mayor, the chief purchasing officer and the general counsel (if the General Counsel is employed full time in that capacity with the City of California) shall disclose the following information by May 1st if any such transactions were engaged in during the previous calendar year:

- (A) For such person, and all persons within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity of such person, the date and identities of the parties to each transaction with a total value in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), if any, that such person had with the political subdivision, other than compensation received as an employee or