CITY OF SPOKANE ETHICS COMMISSION

Ethics Commission Chairperson's Decision Dismissing Complaint by Justin Haller, EC-23-07

On July 17, 2023, the Ethics Commission received a complaint filed by Justin Haller in which he alleges that David Lund violated the City of Spokane's Ethics Code, Chapter 1.04A SMC. Mr. Lund is not a City of Spokane employee and, therefore, not subject to the City of Spokane's Ethics Code. The complaint does not cite to Chapter 1.04A SMC, provide any evidence relevant to the Ethics Code or request relief available in the Ethics Code.

SMC 1.04A.110 D. 3 provides:

The Commission Chairperson may summarily dismiss a complaint if the respondent is not subject to the Code of Ethics. The Chairperson shall issue a written decision setting forth the legal and/or factual basis for the dismissal, which shall be provided to the complainant and the Commission. The complainant may appeal the Chairperson's decision to the Commission within ten days of the date of the Chairperson's decision. In the event of an appeal, the Chairperson shall not participate in the Commission's deliberation or decision. The appeal will be determined by the remaining members of the Commission.

Based upon the facts set forth above, Mr. Lund is not an employee of the City of Spokane and is not subject to the City of Spokane Ethics Code. Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted to me as the Ethics Commission Chairperson in SMC 1.04A.110 D.3 and the facts set forth above, the complaint filed by Justin Haller is hereby dismissed. Mr. Haller may appeal this decision to the full Ethics Commission within ten days of the date of this decision.

Sarah O'Hare - Chairperson

Date

7.25.23