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Dear Wayne,

As you know, after my departure from the city, I formed a new consulting business, Steinbrueck Urban Strategies, LLC. My business plan is to provide mission-driven professional consulting with an emphasis on complex problem-solving and strategic advice, to clients interested in advancing urban sustainability-- my area of professional expertise. In general, this would include conducting systems assessments, examining current practices, and recommending change mechanisms to achieve a higher degree of sustainability in planning, development, and infrastructure.

I have been asked by Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center (CHRMC) located in Seattle to contract with them for specialized consulting pursuant to the hospital's long term capital expansion planning. Last summer, Children's initiated a Major Institution Master Plan (MIMP) process with the City of Seattle, and a Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) was formed. As a Councilmember at the time, I had no role in review of CHRMC's MIMP submittal to the city, other than leading the council's legislative process to confirm the CAC, which was drafted entirely (including the nominations) by Department of Neighborhoods. I declare that I do not possess any "privileged or proprietary information" gained by reason of my former City employment that could be used to any advantage in contracting for these specified consulting services with CHRMC.

As I certainly do not wish to run afoul with the city's ethics code, I am seeking the Commission's formal opinion prior to commencing work with CHRMC, on the proposed terms of my professional consulting relationship with the hospital.

Specifically, I propose to assist CHRMC by acting as a mediator, problem-solver,

and ombudsman, working between the hospital and citizens and organizations in the community who may have concerns with respect to Children's proposed expansion plans. I will not be involved in any of CHRMC's proceedings before the city's Hearing Examiner or City Council, through the end of 2008.

Furthermore, although I am a licensed architect, I will also not be preparing architectural work product for the Master Plan. Children's already has in place a full compliment of architectural and other consultants who are assisting them in the preparation of the Master Plan and related documents.

I welcome advice on any further clarification or restrictions the EEC may determine necessary to be in full compliance with the law. I hope you and the Commission find these terms to be within the acceptable limits of lawful work for a recent former employee of the city, pursuant to Section 4.16.075 of the city's Code of Ethics.

Yours truly,

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