



August 11, 2020

Via hand-delivery

Sioux Falls City Council  
235 W. 10th Street  
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Re: Ethics Complaint 20-B

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

This letter will serve as the Sioux Falls Board of Ethics' Report and recommendations to City Council.

A Citizen complaint was filed on May 18, 2020 requesting review of a course of behavior by a city council member. It has been identified as Complaint 20-B.

#### FACTS

The accused named in Ethics Complaint 20-B did not waive confidentiality, consistent with the rights provided in the Sioux Falls City Ordinances.

The Board of Ethics began consideration of Complaint 20-B on June 19, 2020. The Board voted to go into executive session, pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) and (3), to confidentially review the complaint and take initial closed-door testimony. The June 19<sup>th</sup> session was recessed to allow additional investigation. The Board resumed its consideration in another executive session on July 17, 2020. After discussion and consideration of additional research, the Board came out of executive session and agreed to what was anticipated to be the final meeting on the matter, beginning 3 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 11. The Board reconvened in executive session on Aug. 11, discussed a draft of this report and then came out of executive session to consider a resolution in public session.