

## **Ethics Complaint Form**

This form is intended for reporting violations of the Code of Ethics by individuals serving as Mayor, City Council members, or individuals appointed by the City Council to serve on City boards and commissions. The Code of Ethics (Ordinance 52-549) was adopted September 17, 2024 by the City Council. It is available for review at: <u>https://ks-</u> wichita.civicplus.com/895/Ethics-Board.

### **Instructions**

Please complete the entire form and have it signed in the presence of a Notary Public, attesting under oath to its truth. If you need a Notary Public, you may contact the City Clerk's Office to coordinate a meeting at the Information Desk on the first floor of City Hall. You will be required to present a valid photo ID for identify verification before signing.

Once your form is completed and notarized, submit it along with any supporting documentation to the City Clerk's Office by:

- 1. Delivering it to the Information Desk on the first floor of City Hall, 455 N. Main, Wichita KS, 67202;
- 2. Emailing it to EthicsComplaints@wichita.gov; or
- 3. Mailing it to the following address:

Wichita City Clerk 455 N. Main St., 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Wichita KS 67202

For questions about the form or to schedule a Notary Public to attest to your signature, please contact the City Clerk's office at <u>EthicsComplaints@wichita.gov</u> or call (316) 268-4529.

If you submit a copy of a signed complaint (e.g., via email), please retain the version with your original signature and be prepared to provide it to the City's representative if requested.

### **Questions about the Code of Ethics**

If you have questions about the ethics ordinance or process, you may confidentially contact the person currently performing the duties of the Ethics Officer:

Kathy Sexton, Senior Management Consultant Wichita State University Public Policy & Management Center Kathy.Sexton@wichita.edu



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Name of person filing complaint:		
Phone:	Ema	ail:
Address:		
Who is the complaint about?	Name:	Lily Wu
	Position:	Mayor

Which part of the Code of Ethics (items a - r) on pages 3-7 in the <u>Code of Ethics</u> do you allege was violated by this City official?

2.07.030(g) – Failure to provide equitable service and potential discrimination

 $2.07.030(\breve{b})$  – Failure to maintain public confidence in city officials

2.07.030(e) – Actions that unreasonably benefit or exclude specific groups

2.07.030(r) – Lack of impartiality in public policy decisions

Describe what happened. Include all the facts to the best of your knowledge that support your claim that the ordinance was violated. Be specific as to how and why you believe these actions violated the Code of Ethics.

Mayor Lily Wu refused to sign the Transgender Day of Visibility proclamation,

failing to equitably address the concerns and recognition of transgender constituents (2.07.030(g)). This action undermines public confidence in city officials by signaling that some communities are less valued than others (2.07.030(b)). By selectively excluding a marginalized group while signing proclamations for others, the mayor has engaged in an action that unreasonably benefits or excludes specific groups at the expense of the city's commitment to equity (2.07.030(e)). Furthermore, this decision suggests a lack of impartiality in public policy considerations, potentially influenced by personal or political bias (2.07.030(r)). Such conduct contradicts the city's ethical standards and fails to uphold the principles of fair and inclusive governance.

Date(s	alleged	violation(	s) took	place:	03/18/2025
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Date(s) you became aware of the facts on which the alleged violation(s) is/are based:  $\frac{03}{18}/2025$ 

Please attach copies of any documents (if any) that you have to support this allegation.



#### Attestation:

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the allegations in this complaint are true.

Complainant:

Type/Print Name:

Signature

On this date \_\_\_\_\_\_20\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared before me as the signer of the above complaint, and they were duly sworn or affirmed that the statements made in this complaint are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Notary Public My Commission Expires: (Seal)