

DATE: August 18, 1986

TO: Deputy Mayor Struiksma
FROM: City Attorney
SUBJECT: Acceptance of Part-time Teaching Position;
Effect on "Full-time" Council Duties
Requirement

Yesterday you asked if your acceptance of a part-time teaching position consisting of from two (2) to six (6) hours a week in evening hours would be precluded by the Charter requirement for "full-time" Council duties.

We think not. The pertinent provision of Charter section 12 reads:

Council members, including the Mayor, shall devote full time to the duties of their office and not engage in any outside employment, trade, business or profession which interferes or conflicts with those duties.

It seems to us that part-time teaching duties in evening hours as described above would not interfere or conflict with the full-time devotion to the duties of your office called for by the Charter. The City Council rarely meets in the evening hours. We would assume your teaching schedule could be arranged to avoid any potential conflict. On this basis, we see no Charter limitation.

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