



LAW DEPARTMENT

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**CITY ATTORNEY’S QUARTERLY REPORT ON ENFORCEMENT
OF LOBBYING REGULATIONS
TO THE COUNCIL AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

REPORTING PERIOD: APRIL 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2017

Pursuant to section 4-8-12 of the Austin City Code, the City Attorney submits this report to the Audit and Finance Committee related to compliance and enforcement of Chapter 4-8 Regulation of Lobbyists) of the City Code (referred to as the Lobbying Ordinance).

The amended Lobbying Ordinance took effect June 1, 2017. The quarterly reporting deadlines are established in the City Code and the first deadline following the effective date was July 10, 2017.

The City Clerk’s Office provided the following statistical information related to the July quarterly reporting period as of September 15, 2017 (unless otherwise stated).

Registrations			
Individuals	Individuals Registered Individually	68	
	Individuals Registered under a Business Entity	35	
	Total Individuals Registered		103
Business Entities	Business Entities Registered as Lobbyists	12	
Total Registrants	Total Registered Lobbyists (business entity and individuals)		115
Quarterly Reports			
	Individual lobbyists who failed to submit a quarterly activity report by July 10, 2017		14
	Individual lobbyists who failed to submit a July quarterly activity report		2
Annual Registration Fees			
	Registered lobbyists who failed to timely pay their annual registration fee		2
	Registered lobbyists who failed to pay their annual registration fee		0

Non-reporting of Client Compensation			
	Individual lobbyists who did not report the amount of compensation received from clients		14
Late Fees			
	Lobbyists who, on or before September 22, 2017, received late-fee notices related to a July quarterly report		15
	Individual lobbyists who failed to pay late fees due by September 15, 2017		2

The following table addresses enforcement statistics required to be reported pursuant to section 4-8-12 of the City Code.

REGULATION OF LOBBYISTS	April – June	July – September	October - December	January - March	2017-2018
APRIL 2017 – MARCH 2018					
Referrals from city clerk, auditor, or other departments	0				
Citizen complaints	0				
Investigations opened by the City Attorney	0				
Cases settled	N/A				
Subpoenas for documents	N/A				
Witnesses subpoenaed	N/A				
Cases tried	N/A				
Cases in which a fine was imposed	N/A				
Cases in which a fine was not imposed	N/A				
Amount of fines assessed and collected	N/A				
Law Department staff hours devoted for enforcement	0				