



MEMORANDUM

To: [Redacted]

From: *Dorothy J. Eng*
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Executive Director

Re: Case No. 91104.Q

Date: December 18, 1991

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On December 2, 1991, I received your letter requesting an opinion on whether it would be appropriate under the Ethics Ordinance for the *x Board* [Redacted] to accept reasonable and necessary travel expenses from two competing business teams, in order to view the [Redacted] centers most recently completed by these teams.

You stated that as a result of the City's RFQ, two competing business teams are each under a three step developmental contract to formulate a proposed system and facility for Chicago's [Redacted] *system.* [Redacted]. Both teams, having recently completed similar [Redacted] projects in other cities, have agreed to pay the transportation expenses of the Board to and from their respective completed facilities. One team's site is in [Redacted] while the other team's site is located in [Redacted].

Travel to the completed facilities would provide the Board an opportunity to observe and evaluate the actual work of each of the business teams and aid in evaluating the RFQ proposals submitted by each team for Chicago's [Redacted] system. Since both competing teams are currently under contract with the City, and both have agreed to bear the costs of necessary travel expenses, staff is of the opinion that acceptance of travel expenses by the Board is not prohibited by the Ordinance.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. We appreciate your inquiry and your willingness to comply with the ethical standards embodied in the Ethics Ordinance. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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cc: Kelly Welsh, Corporation Counsel



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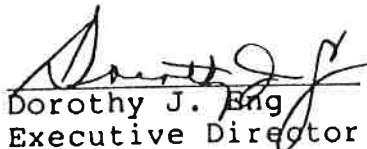
We appreciate your bringing this matter to our attention, and your willingness to comply with the standards embodied in the Ordinance. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions or wish further guidance.

Yours very truly,



Steven F. Berlin
Deputy Director

Approved:



Dorothy J. Eng
Executive Director

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