



TO: Mayor and Members of Troy City Council
FROM: Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney
DATE: December 13, 2005
SUBJECT: Macomb County Ethics Committee Policy

At the December 5, 2005 City Council meeting, Councilman Lambert requested a copy of the recently publicized Macomb County ethics policy be included in the December 19, 2005 City Council agenda packet. However, Macomb County has not yet formally adopted an ethics policy. According to Macomb County, the proposed policy was an agenda item for the December Ethics Sub-Committee Meeting. However, the meeting, which was scheduled during this week, was cancelled. The Ethics Sub-Committee is expected to discuss the proposed ethics policy at their January meeting, and forward it to the Macomb County Board of Commissioners if consensus is achieved at the sub-committee level.

The Macomb County officials expressed some reluctance in providing a copy of the current draft policy, in light of the anticipated revisions to the policy. Therefore, I will continue to monitor the progress of Macomb County, as well as any other communities that have adopted or implemented ethics policies. I remain ready to present this information to Council at the earliest possible date that there is time for an in-depth discussion of the options available to the City of Troy.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please let me know.