City of Vernon, California Human Resources Policies and Procedures



Director of Human Resources

City Administrator

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SUBJECT: SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS ACTIVITY

PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for City employees engaging in employment with a second employer or engaging in self-employment.

POLICY:

Any employee of the City shall obtain authorization from his/her Department Director or designee, the Director of Human Resources, and the City Administrator to engage in any employment, activity or enterprise for compensation ("secondary employment") in addition to their regular employment with the City. An employee proposing to engage in any secondary employment shall inform his or her Department Director prior to engaging in the secondary employment in writing of the time to be spent on such activity and the nature of the activity when he or she begins the activity.

The employee shall obtain a "Secondary Outside Employment Form" from the Human Resources Department and submit the completed form to the employee's Department Director or designee for evaluation. Forms must be submitted at least two weeks before starting such secondary employment or self-employment.

The "Secondary Outside Employment Form" need not be completed on an annual basis – only when/if the secondary employment changes.

In evaluating a secondary employment, the City retains the right to consider whether such secondary employment may impact the organization as follows:

- 1. <u>Impairment of Efficiency and Physical Well-Being</u> The secondary employment must not involve such time demands or performance of such arduous tasks so as to interfere with employee effectiveness or leave the employee tired or subject to injury in the City position.
- 2. <u>Workers' Compensation</u> The secondary employment must not leave the City liable for any injury or illness incurred in such secondary employment.
- 3. <u>Conflict of Interest and Public Relations</u> The secondary employment must not, or must not have the potential to, adversely affect or reflect upon the employee, the employee's position

with the City, or the City.

Secondary employment without notification and approval can result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal if any of the above three (3) factors negatively impact an employee and/or the City. Notification for secondary employment is evidenced only by a copy of the "Outside Secondary Employment Form with all required signatures.

City employees are prohibited from contracting or engaging in business activity with the City of Vernon as a source of secondary employment with the City, including the performance of services outside the scope of their normal employment duties and responsibilities.

City employees are prohibited from pursuing a business license or secondary employment within the boundaries of the City if said activity is for the purpose of providing services on behalf of an approved City of Vernon vendor or contractor doing business with the City, if said services is similar or equivalent to their duties as a City employee. For example, a maintenance worker who opens a business activity to conduct maintenance work for a City assigned contractor or vendor.

As an adjunct to the above, the employee shall not use city time, facilities, equipment, or supplies for private gain on more than a *de minimis* basis unless prior approval has been secured from the employee's Department Director or designee, the Director of Human Resources, and the City Administrator.

Likewise, the employee shall not use the badge, uniform, prestige or influence of the City for the employee's private gain or advantage, unless prior approval has been secured from the employee's Department Director or designee, the Director of Human Resources, and the City Administrator.

This policy does not apply to sworn personnel assigned to security or safety duties pursuant to and consistent with the City's film permit requirements.

POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICY:

All Police Department personnel shall refer to the Vernon Police Department Policy Manual - Outside Employment

PROCEDURE:

Responsibility

Employee

Action

- 1. Notifies immediate supervisor that secondary employment is being considered.
- 2. Obtains an "Outside Secondary Employment Form" from the Human Resources Department.
- 3. Completes and signs form.
 - Submits to immediate supervisor for processing.

Police Department Employee

4. Follows policy and procedures provided in the Vernon Police Department Policy Manual - Outside Employment

Department Director

- Evaluates request and considers impact on department and organization. Either approves, approves with modifications, or disapproves.
 - a. If disapproves, notifies employee with reason for disapproval.
 - If approves or approves with modifications, transmits to Director of Human Resources for further processing.

Director of Human Resources

6. Reviews and recommends to the City Administrator approval, approval with modifications, or disapproval of the request.

City Administrator

- 7. Reviews request.
 - Approves or approves with modifications and transmits to the Human Resources Department.
 - b. Disapproves request and transmits, with reason(s), to the Department.

Human Resources Department

8. Receives form and places in employee's official personnel folder. Notifies employee and Department Director, via e-mail, of City Administrator's decision.

Attachment:

1. Outside Secondary Employment Form

City of Vernon Human Resources Department REQUEST TO ENGAGE IN OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

Name	Job Title		Date		
Department Division					
Please fill out this portion Vernon.	if you are requesting to be em	ployed by some	eone in addition to the	e City of	
Outside Employer's Name	e Outside Employer's	Address	Telephone Nur	nber	
Outside Employer's Work	ers Comp. Ins. Carrier Y OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE N	Certificate No	•	:e	
Please fill out this portion	if you are requesting to be sel	f-employed on a	a part-time basis.		
Name of Business	Address of Busin	Address of Business		Business Tel. No.	
Business Tax License No	Da	Date of Issuance:			
someone else. Type of outside employment a	ed out whether you are reques	Ü		·	
Number of hours per week	Duration of job	Weeks	Months		
	ation to engage in outside emp uthorization, I understand and		•	vacation	
That my outside employments duty with the City.	ent will not interfere with my regular	City job and that I v	vill respond immediately	if recalled to	
2. That the nature of my outside employment is such that there will be no conflict of interest with my City employme				oloyment.	
That the City of Vernon w through my outside job.	vill not be subject to claim or be hel	d liable for any da	mages, injuries or illness	ses incurred	
	ay be revoked at any time and will ermination of my employment with the				
	Employee's Signature		Date		
Approvals:					
 Department Head	Director of Human Resou	ces Ci	ty Administrator	_	