

Roxanne Maher

From: Carmen Garcia Irizarry
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 11:36 AM
To: Roxanne Maher
Subject: Fwd: Ledyard Ethics Ordinance

Hi Roxanne,

Can you add to the Admin agenda the correspondence below from Attorney Ritter?

Thanks,
Carmen

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From: "Ritter, Matthew D." <MRitter@goodwin.com>
Date: June 6, 2026 at 3:45:01 PM EDT
To: Carmen Garcia Irizarry <cgiri@ledyardct.org>
Subject: RE: Ledyard Ethics Ordinance

Carmen – this looks fine. Some minor edits:

1. “of **two(2)** years prior to being appointed to the Ethics Commission.”

Comment: Put a space between two(2)

2. hold office in a political party or political committee; or have held office in a political party or political committee for a period of **two(2)** years prior to being appointed to the Ethics Commission.

Comment: Put a space between two(2)

3. and any additional information the **commission** deems relevant

Comment: Change “commission” to “Ethics Commission”

4. “*six-months*” in Section 12

Comment: delete the hyphen...just say six (6) months.

Thanks, Matt



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From: Carmen Garcia Irizarry <CGIri@ledyardct.org>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2026 8:34 PM
To: Ritter, Matthew D. <MRitter@goodwin.com>
Subject: Ledyard Ethics Ordinance

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Hi Matt,

I hope you are doing well. This coming Wednesday we have the Administration Committee meeting in which we are going to discuss the latest draft of the Ethics ordinance. Based on the feedback received in the last public hearing, we made some changes. The changes are not that many. We added some wording in some sections and we added another section that says the following:

“Section 12: Effective Date

The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective six-months after the Ethics Commission’s Organizational Meeting.”

To give you some context, the reason we added this provision is to give the members of the Ethics Commission some time to get familiarized with all the provisions of the ordinance. They need to understand the code of ethics and the rules of procedure. Without this section, there’s a possible scenario in which somebody submits a claim for which the commission is not ready to evaluate because they haven’t had time to understand every provision, figure out how to carry out the rules of procedure, have all forms drafted and released to the public, etc. Please let me know if including this provision is ok and that is not inconsistent with what the Town Charter says regarding ordinances.

If you can’t give me your feedback by Wednesday, that’s fine. I understand as I am very aware that I am sending you the document just a few days before the meeting and I understand that it might not be enough time to go over it. But if you can give me your feedback by Wednesday I will be very grateful.

Please let me know if you have any questions. And thank you very much for your help!!

Have a good weekend,

Carmen N. Garcia-Irizarry
Ledyard Town Council
Administration Committee

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