

May 21, 2019

Councilmember Kay Funk  
129 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Yakima, WA 98901

Re: Your request for clarification of City Council censure motion

Dear Councilmember Funk:

At the May 7, 2019, City Council meeting you sought clarification as to the censure resolution made against you. That resolution (R-2019-041), which passed 5-2 on April 16, 2019, stated as follows:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Yakima:  
In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Yakima City Council, Section K(2)(iii), City Council member Kay Funk is hereby removed from participation in all City Council Committee assignments and non-City boards, committees and commission assignments for a period of six months.

Your clarification request related to what meetings you may, or may not, attend. This action by a super-majority of the Council removes you from participation in all City Council Committee assignments. As such, you are removed from being a member of the Healthy Neighborhoods and Building Committee (and from being its chair), and the Public Safety Committee, for a period of six months—April 16, 2019 through October 16, 2019.

Further, you have been removed from your assignments on non-City Council Committees. These include your appointments to the Board of Health (Yakima Health District), Solid Waste Advisory Board, Yakima County EMS Board, Yakima Parks Commission liaison position, 911 Administrative Board, and OEM Board, as well as your position as an alternate to any other board, commission or committee.

The action taken by the City Council does not preclude you from attending any open public meeting; however, if that open public meeting is a meeting of a city council committee, you are not allowed to participate in the meeting. Such participation would violate the resolution passed by Council, and create a violation of the Open Public Meetings Act. Should you choose to attend a non-City Council open public meeting for which you were previously assigned, you cannot participate on behalf of the City of Yakima, or represent yourself as acting as a City Councilmember.

Nothing in the resolution precludes you from attending and fully participating in all City Council business, special, or emergency meetings. Nothing in the resolution precludes you from attending or fully participating in any executive session held by the City Council.

Any further questions should be directed to the full Council.

Sincerely,

Kathy Coffey  
Mayor