

**Disclosure by Elected Public Employee of Expenses related to  
Attendance at an Event Serving a Legitimate Public Purpose**

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**DISCLOSURE BY ELECTED PUBLIC EMPLOYEE  
OF EXPENSES RELATED TO ATTENDANCE AT AN EVENT  
SERVING A LEGITIMATE PUBLIC PURPOSE  
AS REQUIRED BY 930 CMR 5.08(3)(b)**

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ELECTED PUBLIC EMPLOYEE INFORMATION	
Name of elected public employee:	Morris A. Bergman
Title/ Position	City Councilor At-Large
Office:	City Council
Office address:	455 MAIN STREET - RM 301 WORCESTER, MA #
Office phone:	[REDACTED]
Office E-mail:	BergmanM@worcesterma.gov
Write an X to confirm each statement.	I am filing this disclosure because: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> My attendance at an event will serve a legitimate public purpose, i.e., it will promote the interests of the Commonwealth, a county or a municipality; and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A non-public entity (but not a lobbyist) has offered to pay or waive expenses worth more than \$50 related to the event.
EVENT ATTENDED	
Describe the event that you will attend.	Pre game activities end game <del>attendance</del> (attended) Cubs Sox opening DAY @ Polar Park
Describe your participation in the event.	Attendance and promotion of the new Ball Park (Polar Park) and Cubs Sox team to Worcester,
Date, time and location of event.	MAY 11, 2021 12:30 - 5:30 PM PM
EXPENSES RELATED TO INCIDENTAL HOSPITALITY	
Identify the person or organization that offered to reimburse, pay or waive expenses.	WORCESTER RED SOX

Address of person or organization.	<p>Woo Sox Team  100 Madison Street  Worcester, MA 01608</p>
Provide information in as much detail as possible:	<p><b>Itemization and explanation of amounts offered:</b>  TICKETS ? - FACE VALUE - GENERAL ADMISSION</p>
Transportation:	<p>Air, train, bus, and taxi fare and rental car hire, etc.    N/A</p>
Meals:	<p>Breakfast, lunch, dinner, special events.    N/A</p>
Admission:	<p>Admission, tickets, etc.    See above</p>
Other (please list):	<p>Refreshment, entertainment, etc.  \$20  N/A - minimal cookies, snacks - did NOT see any meals!</p>
Total:	<p>\$ ? 65 + (SEAT)</p>
For the exemption to apply, check off <u>both statements</u> .	<p><b>Having disclosed the facts above, I determine that:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptance of the reimbursement, waiver or payment of travel expenses will serve a legitimate public purpose i.e., will promote the interests of the Commonwealth, a county or a municipality; AND</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Such public purpose outweighs any special non-work related benefit to me or to the person providing the reimbursement, waiver or payment.</p>
Please explain how the activity will promote the interests of the Commonwealth, a county or a municipality.	<p>Promoter of a New Baseball (AAA) team and other park and economic benefits including jobs and real estate, many tax and other revenues - my presence @ opening day helped to promote this</p>
Employee signature:	
Date:	<p>5/19/2021</p>

Attach additional pages if necessary.

Elected state or county employees - file with the State Ethics Commission.

Members of the General Court - file with the House or Senate clerk or the State Ethics Commission.

Elected municipal employee - file with the City Clerk or Town Clerk.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCLOSURE BY ELECTED PUBLIC EMPLOYEE  
AS REQUIRED BY 930 CMR 5.08(3)(b).**

**INCIDENTAL HOSPITALITY AT AN EVENT**

**WHEN TO USE THE DISCLOSURE FORM**

You are an **elected state, municipal or county employee**, and your attendance at an event will serve a **legitimate public purpose**, i.e., it will promote the interests of the Commonwealth, a county or a municipality. **Hospitality incidental to the event will be provided by a non-public entity (but not a lobbyist)**. You are disclosing that you are accepting payment or waiver of expenses of **worth \$50 or more** related to your attendance at the event, including:

- **Cost of admission**
- **Refreshments**
- **Materials**
- **Transportation within the Commonwealth.**

**FILING THE DISCLOSURE**

Before you attend the event, **you must:**

- **Disclose** the facts relating to your attendance at the event and the payment or waiver of expenses by the non-public entity;
- Make a **written determination** both that:
  - 1) Acceptance of reimbursement, waiver or payment of these expenses and costs will serve a **legitimate public purpose**; and
  - 2) Such **public purpose outweighs any special non-work related benefit** to you or to the person providing the payment or waiver of expenses.

If you are attending the event with members of your staff, you may file a **single disclosure for yourself and your staff members**.

**NO DISCLOSURE REQUIRED**

**No disclosure or determination is required** if you or a member of your staff accepts payment or waiver of expenses worth more than \$50 if:

- You attend a **weekday group program during daytime hours**;
- its primary purpose is to give you or your staff member **information concerning current issues in the Commonwealth**, and
- **Related hospitality** incidental to the primary informational purpose is provided.

If you need advice about completing the disclosure, please call the **Attorney of the Day** at (617) 371-9500 or e-mail the **State Ethics Commission** at [requestadvice@massmail.state.ma.us](mailto:requestadvice@massmail.state.ma.us).