

Sec. 2.16. - Removal of officers.

- (a) The mayor, a councilmember, or other appointed officers provided for in this charter shall be removed from office for any one or more of the following causes:
- (1) Failure to uphold the Constitution, laws, and regulations of the United States, the State of Georgia, this charter, and the code of ordinances of the city;
 - (2) Discrimination by the dispensing of special favors or privileges to anyone, whether or not for remuneration;
 - (3) Engaging in any business with the government, either directly or indirectly, which is inconsistent with the conscientious performance of his or her governmental duties;
 - (4) Using any information coming to him or her confidentially in the performance of governmental duties as a means for making private profit;
 - (5) Failure to expose corruption wherever discovered;
 - (6) Soliciting, accepting, or agreeing to accept gifts, loans, gratuities, discounts, favors, hospitality, or services from any person, association, or corporation under circumstances from which it could reasonably be inferred that a major purpose of the donor is to influence the performance of the member's official duties;
 - (7) Accepting any economic opportunity under circumstances where he or she knows or should know that there is a substantial possibility that the opportunity is being afforded him or her with intent to influence his or her conduct in the performance of his or her official duties;
 - (8) Engaging in other conduct which is unbecoming to a member or which constitutes a breach of public trust;
 - (9) Taking any official action with regard to any matter under circumstances in which he or she knows or should know that he or she has a direct or indirect monetary interest in the subject matter of such matter or in the outcome of such official action;
 - (10) Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude;
 - (11) Failure at any time to possess any qualifications of office as provided by this charter or by law;
 - (12) Knowingly violating Section 2.15 this charter;
 - (13) Abandonment of office or neglect to perform the duties thereof; and
 - (14) Moving residency out of the district such councilmember was elected from.
- (b) Removal of any officer pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be accomplished by one of the following methods:
- (1) Reserved.
 - (2) By an order of the Superior Court of Fulton County following a hearing on a complaint seeking such removal brought by any resident of the City of South Fulton.

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