

COMMENTS OF STEVE NICOLAOU

Transparency, Integrity, Credibility, Honesty. These words are adjectives that are used to describe good government. These are also words that I am sure we will hear a lot from candidates that will be running for local office this year in our City. This would be a good time to not just pay lip service to these words, but to put them to good practice in the area of local campaign finance reform by having this Council discuss and enact a local ordinance mandating that any campaign contributions received by a candidate for local office from any one person or firm during a calendar year that exceed \$50.00 in the aggregate be disclosed on such candidate's campaign disclosure form. State law mandates that such disclosures be made when they hit the \$100.00 threshold; however, state law does appear to allow for local jurisdictions to enact much more stringent disclosure requirements.

A disclosure threshold of \$50.00 should not impose any greater record keeping requirements since under current law, all candidates are required to keep track of the identity of a donor and the amount contributed regardless of whether that person gave \$10.00, \$20.00, or \$1,000.00. If a person, during the course of a year makes five (5) \$20.00 contributions on five (5) separate occasions, then upon the 5th \$20.00 contribution being received by the candidate, that donor's identity would have to be disclosed under current state law. Also, by lowering the disclosure threshold to \$50.00, it takes away the ability for a donor and candidate to play the so-called "\$99.00" game where a donor, instead of, for example, contributing \$1,000.00 in his or her own right to a candidate, has a group of associates, friends, employees and family members each contribute \$99.00 to avoid disclosure. If someone wants to make such a contribution to a candidate, then the public should have the right to know who that donor is, and, more importantly, a candidate should not be able to take that person's money without having to disclose that person's identity. Although a \$50.00 threshold could result in a "\$49.00 game" being played, I believe it would make it much harder to play the nondisclosure game.

In closing, I believe that this proposal merits serious consideration by this Council. To the extent it could not be enacted in time to take effect for this election year, I would call upon each Council member running for re-election or for the Mayor's seat, as well as other candidates running for any of these positions, to voluntarily and unconditionally pledge himself or herself to disclosing all donors when the \$50.00 mark is hit as that would be a clear example of actions speaking louder than words when we come to Transparency, Credibility, Integrity and Honesty in local government.

Thank you for your time.

CITY OF TRACY
VOUCHER REQUEST

Date Initiated: 6/17/2010

PAY TO:

Prepared by: S. Davis

Brent H. Ives
2
Tracy, CA 95304

Vendor #: 01660

Date Due: _____

Interim: _____

Special Instructions: Please give check to Sharon Davis in CMO

FOR THE PAYMENT OF: Mileage Reimbursement for January 1, 2010 - May 31, 2010
(See Attached Breakdown)

Description =====	Account Numbers =====	\$ Amount =====
<u>3,052 miles</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 1,526.00</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
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_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 1526.00</u> =====

Approvals: _____ Date: 6/17/10
 Department: Sharon Davis
 Finance: _____ Date: _____
 If \$10,000 or more:
 City Manager: _____ Date: _____

DATE PAID: _____ CHECK #: _____

VL# OR NO. 01660

CHECK DATE 06/23/2010 CK. NO 9633

INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE AMOUNT	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
6/17/10	06/10/10	Out-of-County Trav	1526.00	0.00	1526.00
HC BRENT H. IVES			1526.00	0.00	1526.00

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
06/23/2010	9633

AMOUNT
*****1,526.00

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TRACY, CA 95304



Brent H. Ives

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Law N. Johnston

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Sharon Davis

From: Brent Ives [brent@bhiconsulting.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:30 PM
To: Sharon Davis
Subject: Brent's miles since January

- > Sharon please see below (sure adds up fast!):
- >
- > This goes from Jan 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010. They are for COG, Partnership and other misc meetings in Stockton and Tracy:
- >
- > January
- > 4 round trips to Stockton from Liv., (62 mi. r/t) - 240 miles
- > 5 trips to Tracy and back from Liv. (46mi.r/t) - 230 miles
- > 5 trips, Tracy to Stockton (36 mi.r/t) - 180 miles
- >
- > February
- > 3 r/t trips to Stockton from Liv. (62 mi. r/t) - 186 miles
- > 5 r/t to Tracy and back from Liv. (46mi.r/t) - 230 miles
- > 5 trips, Tracy to Stockton (36 mi. r/t) - 180 miles
- >
- > March
- > 3 r/t trips to Stockton from Liv. (62 mi. r/t) - 186 miles
- > 5 r/t to Tracy and back from Liv. (46mi.r/t) - 230 miles
- > 4 r/t Tracy to Stktn. (36 mi. r/t) - 144 miles

- April -
- > 4 round trips to Stockton from Liv., (62 mi. r/t) - 240 miles
- > 5 trips to Tracy and back from Liv. (46mi.r/t) - 230 miles
- > 5 trips, Tracy to Stockton (36 mi.r/t) - 180 miles

- May -
- > 3 r/t trips to Stockton from Liv. (62 mi. r/t) - 186 miles
- > 5 r/t to Tracy and back from Liv. (46mi.r/t) - 230 miles
- > 5 trips, Tracy to Stockton (36 mi. r/t) - 180 miles
- >
- >
- >
- > Total -
- > - 3052 miles
- >
- > Thanks - -Brent

VOUCHER REQUEST

Date Initiated: 10/25/2010

PAY TO:

Prepared by: S. Davis

Brent H. Ives

Vendor #: _____

Tracy, CA 95304

Date Due: _____

Interim: _____

Special Instructions: Please give check to Sharon Davis in CMO

FOR THE PAYMENT OF: Mileage Reimbursement for June 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010
(See Attached Breakdown)

Description =====	Account Numbers =====	\$ Amount =====
<u>2,282 miles</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 1,141.00</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
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_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 1141.00</u> =====

Approvals:

Department: _____ Date: _____

Finance: _____ Date: _____

If \$10,000 or more:

City Manager: _____ Date: _____

DATE PAID: _____

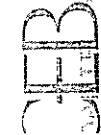
CHECK #: _____

10/25/10 All to Finance



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CA 95376

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Sharon Davis

From: Brent Ives [brent@bhiconsulting.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2010 2:41 PM
To: Sharon Davis
Subject: Re: Mileage Reimbursement Info.

Sharon - here is the mileage claim report for June through September 2010:

June

3 round trips(r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t) - 186 mi.
5 round trips to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t) - 230 mi.
5 r/t from Tracy to Stockton (36 mi r/t) - 180 mi.

July

2 round trips(r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t) - 124 mi.
3 round trips to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t) - 138 mi.
7 r/t from Tracy to Stockton (36 mi r/t) - 252 mi.

Aug

3 round trips(r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t) - 186 mi.
5 round trips to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t) - 230 mi.
6 r/t from Tracy to Stockton (36 mi r/t) - 216 mi.

Sept.

3 round trips(r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t) - 186 mi.
3 round trips to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t) - 138 mi.
6 r/t from Tracy to Stockton (36 mi r/t) - 216 mi.

Total - 2282 miles

Thanks - -Brent

PS - anything from Baskin-Robbins?

On Oct 5, 2010, at 8:51 AM, Sharon Davis wrote:

fyi

Sharon Davis, Executive Assistant to the City Manager
City of Tracy - 333 Civic Center Plaza - Tracy, CA 95376
Phone (209) 831-6115 FAX (209) 831-6120

10/21/2010

VENDOR NO 01660

CHECK DATE 10/27/2010 CK. NO 12820

INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE AMOUNT	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
10/2010	10/25/10	Local Mileage	1141.00	0.00	1141.00
HC BRENT H. IVES			1141.00	0.00	1141.00

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
10/27/2010	12820

AMOUNT
*****1,141.00

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TRACY, CA 95304



Brent H. Ives

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Fred N. Johnson

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

CITY OF TRACY
VOUCHER REQUEST

Date Initiated: 2/10/2011

PAY TO:

Prepared by: S. Davis

Brent H. Ives

Vendor #: _____

Tracy, CA 95304

Date Due: _____

Interim: _____

Special Instructions: Please give check to Sharon Davis in CMO

FOR THE PAYMENT OF: Mileage Reimbursement for October 2010 - January 2011
(See Attached Breakdown)

Description =====	Account Numbers =====	\$ Amount =====
<u>1,598 x .50</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 799.00</u>
<u>572 x .51</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 291.72</u>
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_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
	Total	<u>\$ 1090.72</u> =====

Approvals:
Department: Sharon Davis

Date: 2/10/11

Finance: _____

Date: _____

If \$10,000 or more:

City Manager: _____

Date: _____

DATE PAID: _____

CHECK #: _____

Sharon Davis

From: Brent Ives
Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2011 7:34 PM
To: Sharon Davis
Subject: Mileage claim from Oct. 2010 through January 2011

Sharon - -please find the mileage claim for me for Oct. 2010 through January 2011

October 2010

3 round trips (r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t)- 186 mi.
5 r/t to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t)- 230 mi.
5 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - (36 mi r/t) - 180 mi

November 2010

3 r/t to Stockton from Livermore - 186 mi.
2 r/t to Tracy from Livermore - 92 mi.
6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi.

December 2010

1 r/t to Stockton from Livermore - 62 mi.
5 r/t to Tracy from Livermore - 230 mi.
6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi.

January 2011

1 r/t from Tracy to Sacramento (124 mi r/t) - 124 mi.
3 r/t to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t)- 186 mi.
1 r/t to Tracy from Livermore - 46 mi.
6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi

Total miles - 2170 miles

Thanks

Brent Ives
BHI Management Consulting
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On Feb 9, 2011, at 3:12 PM, Sharon Davis wrote:

Attached is the latest which covered the period 6/1/10 - 9/30/10.

2/10/2011

INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE AMOUNT	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
11	02/10/11	Mileage Reimburse.	1090.72	0.00	1090.72
HC* BRENT H. IVES			1090.72	0.00	1090.72

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
02/16/2011	15463

AMOUNT
*****1,090.72

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OF THE ORDER OF BRENT H. IVES
TRACY, CA 95304



Brent H. Ives
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Fred H. Johnston
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

CITY OF TRACY
VOUCHER REQUEST

Date Initiated: 8/2/2011

PAY TO:

Prepared by: S. Davis

Brent H. Ives
2
Tracy, CA 95304

Vendor #: 01660

Date Due: _____

Interim: _____

Special Instructions: Please give check to Sharon Davis in CMO

FOR THE PAYMENT OF: Mileage Reimbursement for February 2011 - July 2011
(See Attached Breakdown)

Description	Account Numbers	\$ Amount
<u>2,268 x 51</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 1,156.68</u>
<u>288 x 55.5</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 159.84</u>
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_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$ _____</u>
	Total	<u>\$ 1316.52</u>

Approvals:
Department: Sharon Davis

Date: 8/2/11

Finance: _____

Date: _____

If \$10,000 or more:

City Manager: _____

Date: _____

DATE PAID: _____

CHECK #: _____

8/4/11 sent to Finance

Sharon Davis

From: Brent Ives
Sent: Tuesday, August 02, 2011 7:30 AM
To: Sharon Davis
Subject: Mileage report from Brent (February-July 2011)

Hi Sharon - here is my mileage claim from February through July 2011

February 2011

3 round trips (r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t)- 186 mi.
4 r/t to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t)- 184 mi.
5 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - (36 mi r/t) - 180 mi

March 2011

3 round trips (r/t) to Stockton from Livermore (62 mi r/t)- 186 mi.
5 r/t to Tracy from Livermore (46 mi r/t)- 230 mi.
5 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - (36 mi r/t) - 180 mi

April 2011

3 r/t to Stockton from Livermore - 186 mi.
2 r/t to Tracy from Livermore - 92 mi.
6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi.

May 2011

8 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 288 mi.

June 2011

1 r/t from Tracy to Sacramento (124 mi r/t) - 124 mi.
6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi

July 2011

8 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 288 mi

Total miles - 2556 miles

Brent Ives

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CHECK NO. 01660

CHECK DATE 08/10/2011 CK. NO 19934

INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE AMOUNT	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
8/11	08/02/11	Mileage Reimburse	1316.52	0.00	1316.52
HC BRENT H. IVES			1316.52	0.00	1316.52

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
08/10/2011	19934

AMOUNT
*****1,316.52

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Brent H. Ives

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Paul N. Johnson

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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SECURITY FEATURES INCLUDED. DETAILS ON BACK.



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CITY OF TRACY
VOUCHER REQUEST

Date Initiated: 3/20/2012

PAY TO:

Prepared by: S. Davis

Brent H. Ives
2
Tracy, CA 95304

Vendor #: _____


Date Due: _____

Interim: _____

Special Instructions: Please give check to Sharon
Davis in CMO

FOR THE PAYMENT OF: Mileage Reimbursement for September 2011 - March 2012
(See Attached Breakdown)

Description =====	Account Numbers =====	\$ Amount =====
<u>1,348 x 55.5</u>	<u>125-58110-226-00000</u>	<u>\$ 748.14</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
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_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
_____	_____	<u>\$</u>
	Total	<u>\$ 748.14</u> =====

Approvals:
Department: 
Finance: _____
If \$10,000 or more:
City Manager: _____

Date: 3/22/12
Date: _____
Date: _____

DATE PAID: _____

CHECK #: _____

Sharon Davis

From: Brent Ives
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 4:12 PM
To: Sharon Davis
Subject: Mileage from August 2011 to March 1, 2012

Hi Sharon - here is my mileage claim from August 2011 through March 2012

September 2011

6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - (36 mi r/t) - 216 mi

October 2011

5 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - (36 mi r/t) - 180 mi

November 2011

6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi.

January 2012

3 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 108 mi.

February 2012

1 r/t from Tracy to Sacramento (124 mi r/t) - 124 mi.

6 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 216 mi

March 2012

8 r/t to Stockton from Tracy - 288 mi

Total miles - 1348 miles

Brent Ives

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ENDOR NO. 01660

CHECK DATE 03/28/2012 CK. NO 25488

INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE AMOUNT	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
3/20	03/20/12	Mileage Reimb. 9/1	748.14	0.00	748.14
HC BRENT H. IVES			748.14	0.00	748.14

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CHECK DATE	CHECK NO.
03/28/2012	25488

AMOUNT
*****748.14

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PAY SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 14 CENTS

TO THE ORDER OF BRENT H. IVES
TRACY, CA 95304

Brent H. Ives

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Fred H. Johnson

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

