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Dear Mr. Baker:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office as to whether or not the language of [Section 5-7-180, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA](#), 1976, prohibits a city council member from holding another municipal office or other municipal employment in any municipality, my opinion is that it does so prohibit him.

[Section 5-7-180](#) provides:

Except where authorized by law, no mayor or councilman shall hold any other municipal office or municipal employment while serving the term for which he was elected. [Emphasis added]

In the absence of any language limiting the restrictions of municipal employment and/or another municipal office to the city wherein the council member is a council member, I think that use of the words ‘any other’ means that such restrictions are to be construed to prohibit employment by or office-holding in any municipality

Sincerely yours,

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