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June 20, 2019

Delivered electronically to "soneya4council@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Elizabeth Hallock, PDC Case 53320

Dear Soneya Lund:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Elizabeth Hallock concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the letter to Elizabeth Hallock, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by email at pdc@pdc.wa.gov.

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Delivered electronically to "ehallock.law@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Soneya Lund, PDC Case 53320

Dear Elizabeth Hallock:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on June 12, 2019. The complaint alleged that Soneya Lund, a 2019 candidate for Yakima City Council, may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 for failure to timely and accurately file Monetary Contribution reports (C-3 reports) and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports), disclosing contributions and expenditures undertaken by the Campaign.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; correspondence provided by Soneya Lund; the applicable PDC reports filed by Respondent; and queried the Respondent's data in the PDC contribution and expenditure database, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- Soneya Lund filed a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) on February 3, 2019, registering a candidate's authorized committee for Yakima City Council in the 2019 election.
- Renee Rohl, Treasurer for the Committee to Elect Soneya Lund, filed a Political Committee Registration (C-1pc report) registering a single-year political committee in support of Soneya Lund on February 4, 2019.
- Both reports were processed by PDC staff, assigned the same Filer Name, and provided two different Filer ID numbers, creating a candidate page located with the other Yakima Council candidates, and a political committee page on the PDC's website with other single-year committees.
- Renee Rohl filed a Personal Statement of Financial Affairs (F-1 report) for Soneya Lund on February 19, 2019, which was assigned to the political committee page, and a series of C-3 and C-4 reports which appear to have been filed timely, under the political committee's Filer ID.
- On June 17, 2019, PDC staff migrated the filings from the political committee to the candidate committee, so that Soneya Lund's reports and financial information will now appear with the other candidates for the 2019 election for Yakima City Council.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, filing reports under the wrong Filer ID does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

Soneya Lund made minor or ministerial errors on required reports, which did not materially impact the public interest. Upon notification of these errors, PDC staff migrated the data to the correct Filer ID, and Soneya Lund timely amended their ORCA records for the correct campaign, making the necessary technical corrections as requested by staff.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

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cc: Soneya Lund