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October 3, 2019

Delivered electronically to "vote.ras2019@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Carol Snyder, PDC Case 57761

Dear Michelle Rasmussen:

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

As noted in the letter to Carol Snyder, 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.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of including all required detail for expenditures on all PDC reports in accordance with the statutes and rules. PDC staff expects in the future that you will report timely and with all required detail for expenditures on all PDC reports in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Tabitha Townsend  
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

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Barbara Sandahl  
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October 3, 2019

Delivered electronically to "carol4024@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Michelle Rasmussen, PDC Case 57761

Dear Carol Snyder:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on September 20, 2019. The complaint alleged that Michelle Rasmussen (the Respondent), a Candidate for City Council Member for City of Spokane Valley may have violated RCW 42.17A.240 for failure to report accurate and complete details on Receipts & Expenditure Summary reports (C-4 reports).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response(s) provided by the Respondent; the applicable PDC reports filed by Respondent to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

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

- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.240 and WAC 390-16-037 the Respondent was required to disclose accurate and complete details of expenditures on C-4 reports.
- The Respondent filed C-4 reports disclosing expenditures for printing without the number of items printed, as required by WAC 390-16-037.
- The Respondent has amended C-4 reports to provide the missing number of items printed as of September 25, 2019 to include the required details on their expenditures, and to use the required level of details going forward.
- The Respondent is a first-time candidate and has no prior violations of PDC laws and rules.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to include the expenditure details on C-4 reports, does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Michelle Rasmussen about the importance of including all required detail for expenditures on all PDC reports in accordance with the statutes and rules. PDC staff expects in the future that Michelle Rasmussen will report timely and with all required detail for expenditures on all PDC reports in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

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).

If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov).

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cc: Michelle Rasmussen