

Allen Dauterman replied Wed, 9 Oct 2019 at 1:55PM  
to: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Hi Tabatha

I was certainly expecting this after I filed a complaint about Tom Giriffin. Regarding both accusations made by Nola in case # 58346:

Case 1: I have attached email correspondence with the librarian demonstrating that the library was providing the facility on a nondiscriminatory and equal access basis as you defined in your previous (attached) email to me regarding this event.

Case 2: Prior to renting a booth at Newcastle Days at Lake Boren Park, I had consulted City staff to ensure I would not be violating any state laws or PDC regulations if I were to rent the booth for campaign purposes. The paid vendor booths were being offered in a nondiscriminatory and equal access basis and I was informed that as a paying booth renter for campaign purposes i would not be violating any laws.

I will stop by City Hall today to see if there is more information I can provide regarding the Newcastle Days complaint.

Regarding Case #1, I hope the attached emails are sufficient to dismiss that violation.

Thanks you

Allen

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Allen Dauterman &lt;allendauterman@gmail.com&gt;

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**Re: PDC - File a Formal Complaint - Allen Dauterman**

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**PDC Support** <pdcc@pdc.wa.gov>  
Reply-To: PDC Support <pdcc@pdc.wa.gov>  
To: allendauterman@gmail.com

Mon, Sep 16, 2019 at 10:20 AM

Hi Allen,

Thank you for your email. Any additional information is welcome. If you are able to learn the identity of one or more individuals who received the campaign literature, please email this information to me by October 11, 2019.

[RCW 42.17A.555](#) is the statute that prohibits elected officials and their employees from using or authorizing the use of public agency or office facilities to assist an election campaign. However, .555 does not prevent a public office or agency from making its facilities available on a nondiscriminatory, equal access basis for political uses (e.g. candidate forums) if such action is part of its normal and regular conduct. [WAC 390-05-271\(2\)](#)

Based on your description, it sounds like the library is providing its facilities on a nondiscriminatory, equal access basis to the candidates for the upcoming forum. In addition, providing public meeting space to individuals and organizations upon request also appears to be normal and regular conduct for libraries.

I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,

Tabatha Blacksmith  
Compliance Coordinator  
360.586.8929



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*Washington State law established email as the PDC's official means of communication as of June 7th, 2018 (RCW 42.17A.055). Filers have a duty to amend their reports within 10 days of any material changes, such as new email addresses. Please ensure your email address is up to date.*

To respond, please reply to this email.

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On Sat, 14 Sep at 4:31 PM , Allen Dauterman <allendauterman@gmail.com> wrote:  
Thanks Tabatha,

Should I try to get the names of the individuals that received Tom's literature?

Also, next month the library will hold a candidate question and answer forum open to the public. In past events like this at the library, campaign literature has been allowed to be distributed during the event. Is that actually permitted?

Thanks

Allen



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**Literature okay: Upcoming Candidate Forum, Saturday, Sept 28, 11am.**

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**Vicki Heck** <vaheck@kcls.org>  
To: Vicki Heck <vaheck@kcls.org>

Sun, Sep 22, 2019 at 4:44 PM

Hello!

I forgot to mention, during the Forum I will have a table outside the meeting room where all Candidates are welcome to leave Candidate information and campaign literature for our guests to take away. Feel free to bring materials/business cards if you have them!

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**From:** Vicki Heck <vaheck@kcls.org>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 21, 2019 5:01 PM  
**To:** Vicki Heck <vaheck@kcls.org>  
**Subject:** Upcoming Candidate Forum, Saturday, Sept 28, 11am.

Hello Newcastle City Council Candidates!

We are looking forward to your participation at next week's City Council Candidate Forum at Newcastle Library, **Saturday, September 28, 11am.**

We invite you to arrive between 10:30am-10:45am, giving you time to mix & mingle with your constituents. We'll ask you to take your seats at the front of the room at 10:55am, and the program will commence at 11:00am. Newcastle resident and CAC commissioner Nathan Stix will be our moderator. He will be reading you the questions and making sure the program runs smoothly.

Here are our guidelines for the Forum:

**Candidate Forum Rules:**

- There will be 6 questions for each candidate. Plan on running 11-12:30pm.
- Each candidate will have 3 minutes to respond. You will be cut off if you exceed the 3 minute limit.
- We will rotate which candidate answers first.
- The audience and candidates will be respectful at all times. There should be no verbal or nonverbal communication occurring at any time a candidate is speaking.
- Questions from the audience are not allowed. We have crafted our questions using questions submitted from Newcastle residents prior to this event. If the audience has further questions for the candidates, we encourage them to reach out to the candidates directly after the Forum to have their questions answered.

Things you may want to reflect on this week to prepare may be the City's Mission Statement; Reviewing and reflecting on City services citizens want; How you view the consultants' "structural budget deficit" forecast and **specifically** what you'd propose to address it; and teamwork strategies you might employ to overcome differing opinions.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Looking forward to connecting with you on Saturday!

10/9/2019

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**Vicki**

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