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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

In Re: The Matter of Enforcement Action  
Against:

MARTIN MORGAN,  
  
Respondent.

PDC CASE NO. 58694

ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE  
ON REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION

This matter was heard remotely by the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission (Commission) on March 26, 2020, by telephonic and online streaming access. Respondent Martin Morgan timely requested reconsideration of the Presiding Officer's Order issued on January 29, 2020, following a Brief Enforcement Hearing (Brief Adjudicative Proceeding) in this matter on January 23, 2020. The hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 and 42.17A RCW, and Chapter 390-37 WAC.

Commissioners present both telephonically and online were David Ammons, Commission Chair (presiding); Russell Lehman, Commission Vice-Chair; and Commissioners William Downing, Fred Jarrett, and Nancy Isserlis. Also present both telephonically and online were Assistant Attorney General John S. Meader representing the Commission, Assistant Attorney General Chad Standifer representing PDC Staff, and Jennifer Hansen, PDC

1 Compliance Officer. Martin Morgan (Respondent) was provided notice of the hearing and  
2 appeared telephonically. The proceeding was open to the public as limited by Governor's  
3 Proclamation 20-25 and recorded.  
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5 The Commissioners had before them the following materials:

- 6 1. Case memorandum dated March 17, 2020, prepared by Jennifer Hansen, PDC  
7 Compliance Officer;
- 8 2. Initial Order, PDC Case #16-210, entered August 21, 2015;
- 9 3. Candidate Registration (C-1 report) for Martin Morgan, filed October 15, 2015;
- 10 4. Complaint against Martin Morgan, PDC Case #58694, received October 10, 2019;
- 11 5. Martin Morgan's response and request for technical assistance, dated October 18,  
12 2019, and October 21, 2019;
- 13 6. Candidate Registration (C-1 report) for Martin Morgan, filed October 24, 2019;
- 14 7. Statement of Understanding sent electronically on November 13, 2019;
- 15 8. Initial Hearing letter (Case Status Review Hearing) after opening a formal  
16 investigation, PDC Case #58694;
- 17 9. Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing) Notice and Statement of  
18 Understanding dated January 13, 2020;
- 19 10. Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order Imposing Fine entered January 29,  
20 2020, PDC Case 58694;
- 21 11. Written Request for Review of Order, dated March 11, 2020;
- 22 12. Reconsideration Hearing Notice, dated March 13, 2020.

## 23 I. FINDING OF FACT

24 The matter involved Martin Morgan's request that the Commission reconsider a Final  
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1 Order issued on January 29, 2020, resulting from an Initial Hearing on January 23, 2020,  
2 regarding his candidacy for Kirkland City Council. The Presiding Officer at the Brief  
3 Adjudicative Proceeding found Mr. Morgan in violation of RCW 42.17A.205 and determined  
4 he had also violated the conditions of an Order entered on August 21, 2015, in PDC Case 16-  
5 210.  
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8 1. The Reconsideration Hearing on March 26, 2020, was held telephonically and  
9 through online access. Each of the Commissioners, the PDC Compliance Officer, and  
10 the Respondent appeared remotely. Various technical issues made it unclear whether  
11 Mr. Martin heard the entirety of the hearing or was able to be fully heard by each  
12 Commissioner.  
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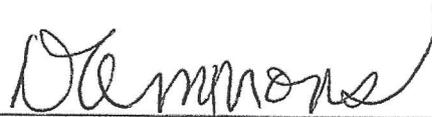
## 14 II. ORDER

15 As a result of the technical issues, and out of an abundance of caution to ensure the  
16 Respondent has a full opportunity to be heard, the Commission's vote to deny reconsideration is  
17 withdrawn and the Hearing CONTINUED to the April 23, 2020, Regular Meeting of the  
18 Commission. At that meeting the Respondent will have an additional opportunity to present  
19 evidence and testimony in this matter and respond to any questions of the Commissioners.  
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21 SO ORDERED this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2020.

22 WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC  
23 DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

24 FOR THE COMMISSION:

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26 David Ammons,  
Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

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*This order sent by email to:*  
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Chad Standifer, Assistant Attorney General  
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I, _____, certify that I emailed a copy of this order to the Respondent at his respective email address.	
Signed _____	Date _____