



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Delivered electronically to "jresend0889@outlook.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Mike Farmer, PDC Case 58948

Dear Ignacio Resendez:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on October 21, 2019. The complaint alleged that Mike Farmer, a City Council Member candidate for City of Sunnyside may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 for failure to timely file their Candidate Registration report (C-1 report).

PDC staff reviewed your allegations, and as a result of staff's initial review, we found the following:

- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.135(7) candidates, elected officials and agencies in political subdivisions with fewer than five thousand registered voters at the time of the most recent General Election are exempt from candidate/committee registration reporting (C-1 registration report) obligation.
- As of the General Election in 2018 the registered voter count for City of Sunnyside was 4,861, thus exempting filers from C-1 obligation.
- The Respondent has indicated they do not plan to raise or spend more than \$5,000 and are not accepting more than \$500 from any one contributor; which further exempts the Respondent from C-1 reporting obligations pursuant to WAC 390-16-105.

Staff has determined that in this instance, no evidence supports a finding of a violation warranting further investigation.

The PDC has closed the matter and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

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) and WAC 390-37-060(1)(a).

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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.

Sincerely,

/s

Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s

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Executive Director

cc: Mike Farmer