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October 31, 2019

Delivered electronically to "michaelwallin@hotmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Jim Young, PDC Case 59148

Dear Mike Wallin:

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

As noted in the letter to Jim Young, 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 the timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities. PDC staff expects the timely filings of all future PDC reports in accordance with the statutes and rules.

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

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

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Fox Blackhorn Compliance Coordinator 2 Barbara Sandahl Deputy Director For Peter Lavallee Executive Director



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Subject: Complaint regarding Mike Wallin, PDC Case 59148

Dear Jim Young:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on October 23, 2019. The complaint alleged that Mike Wallin (Respondent), a 2019 candidate for City Council Member for the City of Longview, 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; and RCW 42.17A.240 for failure to accurately disclose contributions and expenditures undertaken by the Campaign.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the responses provided by the Respondent; the applicable PDC reports filed by the 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:

- The Respondent was required by RCW 42.17A.235 to file a 21-day pre-general C-4 report on October 15, 2019, disclosing all contributions and expenditures received from September 1 through October 14, 2019.
- The Respondent filed the 21-day pre-general C-4 report on October 22, 2019, disclosing \$3,435 or 20% of contributions in this election cycle, and \$1,525 or 14% of total expenditures in this election cycle, seven days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.235, depriving the public of critical information in a time-sensitive period before an election.
- The Respondent confirmed that the contributions and expenditures reported on the 21day pre-general C-4 were complete and accurate in accordance with RCW 42.17A.240, and that no other expenditures or debts were due to be reported until the 7-day pregeneral C-4 report, due October 29, 2019.
- This is mitigated by the fact that the Respondent filed the missing report before the complaint was filed, and had erroneously chosen to participate in the Primary Election, when the Respondent only appeared on the General Election ballot, causing notification of the 21-day filing requirement not to trigger in the ORCA filing software.
- The responsibility to file by the statutory deadline rests with the Respondent, who has held this office since election in 2011, and is experienced with PDC filing requirements.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely file the 21-day pre-general C-4 report does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Mike Wallin about the importance of the timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities. PDC staff expects the timely filings of all future PDC reports in accordance with the statutes 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).

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cc: Mike Wallin