

[Blossom4council](#) reported via email (*Mon, 6 Jul 2020 at 1:52 PM*)
To:"PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Hi Tabatha,

Below is my response to Ms. Neal's complaint. I also attached my credit card statement that shows the charge for my photograph, copies of the payment made to Kitsap Sun/USA Today, and a copy of the COBI Connects newsletter that is the subject of Ms. Neal's complaint.

Please let me know if I should provide anything else.

Thank you,
Sarah Blossom

Allegation One: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.235 & .240 for failure to timely & accurately report contributions & expenditures for election year 2019.

My campaign qualified for mini-reporting and I made that change online through the Secure Access Washington website. I did not solicit campaign contributions but did receive one contribution from a married couple in the amount of \$250. I also deposited, as a loan, \$500 of my own funds to my campaign account. I paid for my filing fee and purchased a photo of myself, which were in-kind contributions from myself to my campaign. In addition, I had one ad that cost \$289.20. The first check I wrote from my campaign account at the beginning of March did not clear the account. I subsequently received another bill and, since the first check would be considered stale, I mailed another check from my campaign account.

Allegation Two: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.555 by using public facilities (city photograph and COBI-Connects newsletter) to assist an election campaign

My City photograph was not staged for my campaign, it was taken as part of the normal and regular practice of the city government and was available to the public to be downloaded from the City's website. However, I did not download it from the City's website. I purchased a copy directly from the photographer, Brenda Franklin of Genuine Image Photography, for \$261.60 and had her change the background and provide me with two different "croppings". COBI Connects is a monthly newsletter that the City of Bainbridge Island mails out to its residents. The very first newsletter was published in April of 2019. Each newsletter in 2019, except for May, featured a "Council Message" that was written by a Councilmember. Councilmembers were assigned their month by City staff. I was assigned November and was the last Councilmember to write a "Council Message". I put some thought into what I wrote about because I was sensitive to the fact that I was at the end of a campaign and did not want to write about something that was part of anyone's platform and many topics had already been covered by the other six Councilmembers that went before me. I chose a topic that had not been written about before and was not a campaign issue or "hot topic" for the City of Bainbridge Island. I wrote an informational piece about the State's "red flag" statute – something that is not legislated by the City of Bainbridge Island.

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July 9 - August 8 2019

Account#

Account Summary

Previous Balance
Payments and Other Credits
Purchases and Adjustments
Fees Charged
Interest Charged

New Balance Total

Total Credit Line
Total Credit Available
Cash Credit Line
Portion of Credit Available
for Cash
Statement Closing Date
Days in Billing Cycle

Payment Information

New Balance Total
Current Payment Due

Total Minimum Payment Due
Payment Due Date

09/05/2019

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PAYING INTEREST - We will not charge interest on Purchases on the next statement if you pay the New Balance Total in full by the Payment Due Date, and you had paid in full by the previous Payment Due Date. We will begin charging interest on Balance Transfers and Cash Advances on the transaction date.

TOTAL INTEREST CHARGE COMPUTATION - Interest Charges accrue and are compounded on a daily basis. To determine the Interest Charges, we multiply each Balance Subject to Interest Rate by its applicable Daily Periodic Rate and that result is multiplied by the number of days in the billing cycle. To determine the total Interest Charge for the billing cycle, we add the Periodic Rate Interest Charges together. A Daily Periodic Rate is calculated by dividing an Annual Percentage Rate by 365.

HOW WE ALLOCATE YOUR PAYMENTS - Payments are allocated to posted balances. If your account has balances with different APRs, we will allocate the amount of your payment equal to the Total Minimum Payment Due to the lowest APR balances first (including transactions made after this statement). Payment amounts in excess of your Total Minimum Payment Due will be applied to balances with higher APRs before balances with lower APRs.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PAYMENTS BY PHONE - When using the optional Pay-by-Phone service, you authorize us to initiate an electronic payment from your account at the financial institution you designate. You must authorize the amount and timing of each payment. For your protection, we will ask for security information. A fee may apply for expedited service. To cancel, call us before the scheduled payment date. Same-day payments cannot be edited or canceled.

YOUR CREDIT LINES - The Total Credit Line is the amount of credit available for the account; however, only a portion of that is available for Bank Cash Advances. The Cash Credit Line is that amount you have available for Bank Cash Advances. Generally, Bank Cash Advances consist of ATM Cash Advances, Over the Counter (OTC) Cash Advances, Same-Day Online Cash Advances, Overdraft Protection Cash Advances, Cash Equivalents, and applicable transaction fees.

MISCELLANEOUS - Promotional Rate End Date: This date is based on a future statement closing date. If you change your payment due date, this date could change. The New Balance Total which appears on this statement is not a payoff amount and may be subject to additional interest charges when you pay in full after your statement closing date. Please contact the customer service number located on the front of this statement for a pay-off amount. Virtual cards are the digital form of your eligible physical credit cards stored within a digital wallet.

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Average Daily Balance Method (including new Purchases): We calculate separate Balances Subject to an Interest Rate for Purchases and for each Introductory or Promotional Offer balance consisting of Purchases. We do this by: (1) calculating a daily balance for each day in the billing cycle; (2) adding all the daily balances together; and (3) dividing the sum of the daily balances by the number of days in the billing cycle.

To calculate the daily balance for each day in this statement's billing cycle, we: (1) take the beginning balance; (2) add an amount equal to the applicable Daily Periodic Rate multiplied by the previous day's daily balance; (3) add new Purchases, new Account Fees, and new Transaction Fees; and (4) subtract applicable payments and credits. If any daily balance is less than zero we treat it as zero.

Average Balance Method (including new Balance Transfers and new Cash Advances): We calculate separate Balances Subject to an Interest Rate for Balance Transfers, Cash Advances, and for each Introductory or Promotional Offer balance consisting of Balance Transfers or Cash Advances. We do this by: (1) calculating a daily balance for each day in this statement's billing cycle; (2) calculating a daily balance for each day prior to this statement's billing cycle that had a "Pre-Cycle balance" - a Pre-Cycle balance is a Balance Transfer or a Cash Advance with a transaction date prior to this statement's billing cycle but with a posting date within this statement's billing cycle; (3) adding all the daily balances together; and (4) dividing the sum of the daily balances by the number of days in this statement's billing cycle.

To calculate the daily balance for each day in this statement's billing cycle, we: (1) take the beginning balance; (2) add an amount equal to the applicable Daily Periodic Rate multiplied by the previous day's daily balance; (3) add new Balance Transfers, new Cash Advances and Transaction Fees; and (4) subtract applicable payments and credits. If any daily balance is less than zero we treat it as zero.

To calculate a daily balance for each day prior to this statement's billing cycle that had a Pre-Cycle balance: (1) we take the beginning balance attributable solely to Pre-Cycle balance (which will be zero on the transaction date of the first Pre-Cycle balance); (2) add an amount equal to the applicable Daily Periodic Rate multiplied by the previous day's daily balance; (3) and add only the applicable Pre-Cycle balances and their related Transaction Fees. We exclude from this calculation all transactions posted in previous billing cycles.

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No payment shall operate as an accord and satisfaction without the prior written approval of one of our Senior Officers.

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If you have authorized us to pay your credit card bill automatically from your savings or checking account with us, you can stop the payment on any amount you think is wrong. To stop payment, your letter must reach us at least three business days before the automatic payment is scheduled to occur.

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Transactions

Transaction Date	Posting Date	Description	Reference Number	Account Number	Amount	Total
Payments and Other Credits						
08/05	08/06	BA ELECTRONIC PAYMENT	9595	0285	-82.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS AND OTHER CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD						-82.00

Purchases and Adjustments						
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/09	07/11	PES INC BELLEVUE WA	[REDACTED]	0285	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	07/11	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/10	07/12	WISE RIES-BAINBRIDGE SEATTLE WA	7205	0285	27.97	
07/10	07/12	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ORIGINAL DATE 07/11/19						
07/11	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] BELLEVUE WA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	07/15	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/13	07/15	OLSON'S TACK SHOP BELLEVUE WA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/13	07/15	SALEWAY #1125 CLE ELUM WA	2637	0285	75.47	
07/14	07/15	WARRIORS GOLF SHOP [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	0285	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/14	07/16	SALEWAY #1135 CLE ELUM WA	0114	0285	27.59	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	07/19	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/23	07/24	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/25	07/26	GENUINE IMAGE PHOTOGRA SNOQUALMIE WA	0192	0285	140.51	
[REDACTED]	07/29	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
07/29	07/31	REGAL CINEMA [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	0285	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
08/01	08/03	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	08/07	SALEWAY #11252 BAINBRIDGE [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
TOTAL PURCHASES AND ADJUSTMENTS FOR THIS PERIOD						[REDACTED]

Interest Charged						
08/08	08/08	INTEREST CHARGED ON PURCHASES	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
08/08	08/08	INTEREST CHARGED ON BALANCE TRANSFERS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	0.00	
08/08	08/08	INTEREST CHARGED ON DIR DEP&CHK CASHADV	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	0.00	
08/08	08/08	INTEREST CHARGED ON BANK CASH ADVANCES	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	0.00	
TOTAL INTEREST CHARGED FOR THIS PERIOD						0.00

2019 Totals Year-to-Date	
Total fees charged in 2019	\$0.00
Total interest charged in 2019	[REDACTED]

Interest Charge Calculation

Your **Annual Percentage Rate (APR)** is the annual interest rate on your account.

Type of Balance	Annual Percentage Rate	Promotional Transaction Type	Promotional Offer ID	Promotional Rate End Date	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Interest Charges by Transaction Type
Purchases	18.49%V				\$ [REDACTED]	\$ [REDACTED]
Balance Transfers	18.49%V				\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Direct Deposit and Check Cash Advances	21.49%V				\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Bank Cash Advances	27.24%V				\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

APR Type Definitions Daily Interest Rate Type: V= Variable Rate (rate may vary)

Your Reward Summary

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Council Message

Sarah Blossom, South Ward



I recently had the opportunity to speak with members of the Bainbridge Island Chapter of Moms Demand Action and learned that Washington State has a “red flag” law that allows a judge to remove firearms from the possession of someone deemed a threat. The law, which took effect in 2017, is known as an Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO). Having never heard of this myself, I thought I would use my turn in the Council Message to help spread the word about this important tool.

According to Washington State Courts, an ERPO is designed to temporarily prevent people who are at high risk of harming themselves (or others) from accessing firearms. Family members and police can petition the court for an ERPO when there is demonstrated evidence that the person poses a significant danger.

A person can apply for an ERPO at the Bainbridge Island Municipal Court. Forms are available at the court or City’s website: www.bainbridgewa.gov/602/Protection-Orders. Since the law took effect, the Bainbridge court has not received any requests for protection orders.

Council moving closer to new rules for ADUs, tiny houses

Tiny houses could soon be coming to Bainbridge Island. The City Council has finalized new rules for accessory dwelling units (ADUs) that include provisions for tiny houses. An ADU, also known as a mother-



Photo Courtesy of American Tiny House Association

in-law suite or backyard cottage, is a separate living space located on the same lot as a single-family house. ADUs can be up to 900 square feet in size. The new regulations (Ordinance 2019-09), discussed at the Oct. 22 business meeting, require common ownership of the primary residence and ADU, and remove the ADU from lot coverage calculations for properties less than 40,000 square feet.

If approved, the new regulations would also allow a tiny house, a dwelling that does not exceed 400 square feet, in lieu of one traditional-sized ADU. Earlier this year, the legislature approved State Senate Bill 5383, which directed the State Building Council to adopt standards specific to tiny houses by Dec. 31, 2019. This legislation allows the City to amend its building code to include tiny house provisions.

Tiny houses will need to meet the same requirements as ADUs for parking spaces, placement, and access. The municipal code requires one parking space be provided for an ADU in addition to one or two parking spaces required for the primary dwelling.

“A key recommendation from the 2018 Affordable Housing Task Force was to seek ways to encourage greater use of ADUs,” said City Manager Morgan Smith. “These new rules are an important first step, and we hope they will lead to increased use of ADUs and tiny houses as affordable housing alternatives within the community.”

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Green building features planned for police-court project

City staff have started work on final design and permitting for the new Police Station-Municipal Court replacement project. At the Oct. 15 study session, staff provided the City Council with an update on recent progress and an inventory of the green building features that are planned as part of the pro-

ject’s design.

During Quarter 3 (July, August, September), the project team submitted land use permit applications to the Department of Planning and Community Development to initiate the project review process. The project team is proceeding with design development by fi-

nalizing floor plans with the Police and Court staff and developing design criteria for the renovated spaces.

Earlier this year, City Manager Morgan Smith signed a purchase and sale agreement for the Harrison Medical Center Building, located

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