Respondent Name

Michael Alvarez

Complainant Name

Lillian "Randy" Slovic

Complaint Description

Rslovic (Thu, 18 Jun 2020 at 10:02 PM)

The picture attached below is the same one on all of the Michael Alvarez for County Commission signs that are all over Richland.

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

In 2017 a candidate for re-election to the Richland City Council was warned by the city manager not to wear any city-provided logo items in campaign ads as that would be a violation of the use of taxpayers funds for campaigning. The City of Richland provides city logo items to city council members for official city activities like ribbon cutting and other events. It appears that Michael Alvarez did not receive the same warning. He is a sitting member of the Richland City Council but he is running for the Benton County Commission. On his campaign signs the city-provided logo pin is prominently displayed. These signs replaced earlier ones that he erected shortly after filing to run. Those were obviously left over from his non-partisan city council campaign as they did not have the required party designation. I rightly assumed that those would soon be replaced and they were -- with these with the city logo pin on his lapel.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

Certification (Complainant)

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

