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Ms. Jennifer Hansen  
Compliance Office  
Public Disclosure Commission  
State of Washington

**RE: COMPLAINT REGARDING TIMELY F-1 FILING**

***VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL***

Dear Ms. Hansen:

I am in receipt of your e-mail of August 6 regarding the alleged untimely filing of form F-1 for 2019. In addition to the information filed on July 31, 2020, I need to further amend the income received from the City of Burien received in my role as Mayor.

I apologize for not correctly recognizing this as income; it is such a small amount that I incorrectly thought that it was a stipend of sorts to cover my expenses incurred in my mayoral activities. In any event, the amount I received from the City of Burien for services provided as Mayor are \$8,188.68 for 2019.

I would also like to explain the main reason for not filing the F-1 Personal Financial Affairs Statement before the deadline. At the beginning of 2020 I invested in a new construction cost accounting program as well as changed the corporate structure of my solely-held company, Ahora Construction LLC from a sole proprietorship to an S-Corporation. Therefore, my personal and corporate finances were in a state of transition. I intended to hire an outside accounting consultant to help with the transition from one accounting software to another when the Covid-19 crisis hit, and I had to lay off all personnel and delay hiring the consultant. In addition to dealing with the crisis with my company and employees, my role as Mayor of the City of Burien was also very demanding as I was called upon to make decisions with the City Council on behalf of the citizens of Burien.

I was finally able to hire the consultant and start the accounting transition project in June. In order to report accurate figures, it was necessary to complete part of this project, which is still on-going, in order to correctly report those companies making payments to my firm in excess of \$ 12,000 annually. I ask for your understanding due to these circumstances and I'll make every effort to timely and correctly complete form F-1 in a timely manner in the future. I have updated form F-1 to reflect the income figures. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any further information. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Matta