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August 23, 2021

Sent electronically to Renae Seam and Andy Lo, Ministerial Treasurer

Subject: Complaint filed by Glen Morgan, PDC Case 96019

Ms. Seam and Mr. Lo:

Enclosed is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning a complaint he filed on July 12, 2021, with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

The complaint alleged the 2021 Renae Seam Campaign violated RCW 42.17A.240 by failing to disclose expenditures made for yard signs and the candidate filing fee on Summary Full Campaign Contributions and Expenditures reports (C-4 reports).

As noted above in the letter sent to Mr. Morgan, the PDC finds that no action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1). If you have questions, please contact PDC Compliance Officer Kurt Young by e-mail.

Sincerely,	Endorsed by,
<u>/s</u>	<u>/s</u>
Electronically Signed Kurt Young	Electronically Signed Kim Bradford, Deputy Director
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Subject: Complaint regarding 2021 Renae Seam Campaign, PDC Case 96019

Mr. Morgan,

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) staff has completed its review of the complaint you filed on July 12, 2021 at 10:30 pm, against Renae Seam, a candidate for Federal Way City Council in 2021. The complaint alleged the 2021 Renae Seam Campaign (Campaign) may have violated RCW 42.17A.240 by failing to disclose expenditures made for yard signs and the candidate filing fee on Summary Full Campaign Contributions and Expenditures reports (C-4 reports).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations listed in the complaint; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports) filed by the Campaign, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations. Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- On April 12, 2021, Renae Seam filed a Candidate registration with the PDC declaring her candidacy for Federal Way City Council, Position #6, selecting the Full Reporting option and listing Andy Lo as Ministerial Treasurer.
- On July 13, 2021, the Campaign timely filed the 21-Day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report covering the period June 1 through July 12, 2021, disclosing that \$3,519.58 in total contributions had been received during the period, and \$3,316.61 in total expenditures were made.
- The 21-Day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report disclosed the Campaign made: (1) a \$892.92 expenditure made to Prism Washington, a Campaign Consultant on July 11, 2021, and listing the sub-vendor description as "Overnight Printing Yard signs (100)"; and (2) a \$159.86 expenditure made to the candidate, Ms. Seam, reimbursing her \$159.84 and listing the expenditure description as "State of WA Candidacy filing fee."
- Finally, the \$159.86 candidate filing was not required to have been disclosed as a debt or order placed by the Campaign on an earlier C-4 report, since it was below the \$750 debt reporting threshold in accordance with RCW 42.17A.240(9).

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1). If you have questions, please contact PDC Compliance Officer Kurt Young by e-mail.

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