

Respondent Name
Christopher John McCoy
Complainant Name
Conner Edwards
Complaint Description
<p>Conner Edwards reported via the portal (Thu, 15 Feb 2024 at 6:26 PM)</p> <p>Description of Complaint</p> <p>This candidate failed to timely file the required 21-day pre-primary report, the required 7-day pre-primary report, and the required post-primary report.</p> <p>By any objective measure, it is unacceptable that the PDC would take no action to help bring this filer into compliance now that the statute of limitations is rapidly approaching. The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of candidates and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the candidates themselves.</p> <p>I have tried many different times to get the PDC to take action on this type of issue with no tangible results whatsoever. At one point, I believe the agency discussed the possibility of internally flagging non-filers in the PDC's system and proactively reaching out to them to bring them into compliance, but it appears this is not happening.</p> <p>Having exhausted all of my other options to pursue reform, the only remaining option available to me to compel the agency to take action here is to file PDC complaints against these noncompliant filers in an effort to force the agency to take action.</p> <p>By highlighting the agency's failure to meaningfully enforce current reporting deadlines, my hope is that the agency will look to improve its own enforcement procedures and help candidates and treasurers comply with the law.</p> <p>Notice to Respondents:</p> <p>I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint; it is not my intention.</p> <p>No campaign treasurer or campaign/committee is perfect. Trying to comply with the myriad of requirements and deadlines the PDC enforces can be extremely difficult, even for those who have been doing this for years. The agency could adopt any number of strategies to help filers "get it right" when it comes to deadlines and other requirements. Some of these strategies might include: a) automated electronic filing reminders to a filer when they have missed a deadline, b) mandatory attendance in a PDC training course before a person is allowed to serve as treasurer, c) giving filers 48 hours to file 21- & 7-day pre-election reports as opposed to the 24 hours candidates currently get, and d) improvements to the ORCA online campaign finance filing system to improve useability.</p> <p>In my opinion, the agency has failed to provide many filers with the knowledge and tools that they need to file reports on time and be compliant.</p> <p>If you are confused by the filing requirements that the agency enforces or are experiencing technical difficulties and/or usability issues with the ORCA system, please be sure to indicate this in your response to the PDC: your comments will provide valuable feedback for the agency.</p>
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
<p>Because this candidate has not timely filed one or more required reports, members of the public are unable to view up to date financial information, significantly reducing transparency available to voters.</p> <p>The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of candidates and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the candidates themselves.</p> <p>It is imperative that PDC staff reach out to this candidate immediately to bring them into compliance</p>
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
PDC Website
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

See respondent contact info on PDC website

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.

Christopher John McCoy - 2023

Candidate Information

Office:

MAYOR

Jurisdiction:

CITY OF BELLINGHAM

Registration:

April 26, 2023

Address:

713 E Sunset Dr
Bellingham, WA 98225

Email:

Chris@mccoy4mayor.com

Phone:

3602242974

Financial Information

Campaign Starting Balance:

\$0.00

Contributions Amount:

\$8,408.86

Loans Amount:

\$0.00

Total Receipts:

\$8,408.86

Expenditures:

\$6,939.73

Pledges:

\$0.00

Debt Amount:

\$0.00

Independent Expenditures for/against:

None reported.

Status
<div><div>Primary Election Status:</div><div>Lost in primary</div></div> <div><div>Campaign Status:</div><div>Candidate declared</div></div>

Reports
<div><div>Candidate’s Personal Financial Affairs disclosure</div><div>Candidate’s surplus funds account</div></div>

Map the campaign’s contributors and vendors
<div></div>

Made to candidate for 2023

Contributions

See who has contributed cash and in-kind (non-monetary) contributions to the campaign.

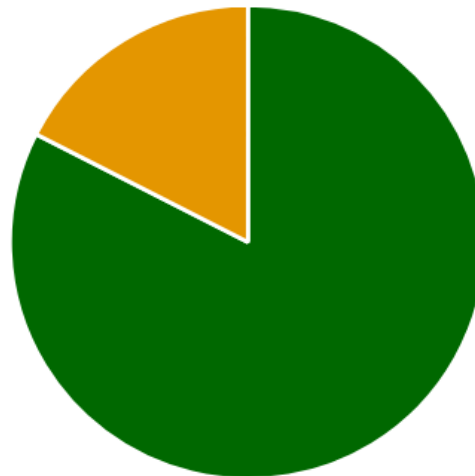
Contributions made to candidate for 2023

Self

\$6,939.73

Individual

\$1,469.13



Made by candidate for 2023

Expenditures

See how the campaign has spent money, and what kind of goods and services it received as in-kind contributions.

Expenditures made by candidate for 2023

Management and consulting services

\$2,250.00

Filing fees

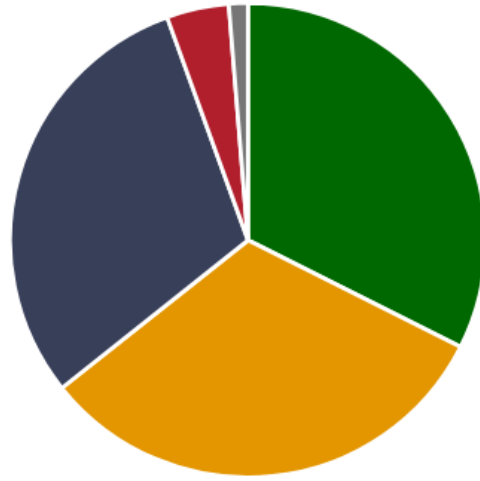
\$2,211.96

Campaign merchandise/paraphernalia

\$2,094.53

Printing literature, fliers,...
\$293.74

Not Provided
\$89.50



Candidates Registered for this Office

Show entries Search:

Candidate	Contributions	Expenditures
<u>Kimberley Jill Lund (Kim Lund)</u>	\$96,316.24	\$95,541.61
<u>Seth M. Fleetwood (Seth Fleetwood)</u>	\$71,716.49	\$77,739.39
<u>Michael A. McAuley (Mike McAuley)</u>	\$21,167.23	\$21,168.55
<u>Christopher John McCoy</u>	\$8,408.86	\$6,939.73
<u>Kristina Michele Martens</u>	\$5,215.45	\$3,930.13
<u>Joel Gabriel Johnson (Joel Johnson)</u>	\$600.00	\$595.16

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Spending for and against this candidate

Independent Expenditures

Independent expenditures are made by third parties that are not part of a candidate’s campaign.

No Independent Expenditures reported.

Incurred by candidate

Debts

This information shows the debt for the campaign as of the submission date of the related report.

Outstanding debt for campaign is \$0.00

Campaign Finance Reports

See the reports filed by the candidate. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report.

Show

25

 entries

Download 5 rows as CSV.

Period	Report Number	Filed	Report	Form Type	Election Year
04/26/2023 - 06/30/2023	110156626	07/06/2023	View Report	C4	2023
06/08/2023 - 06/08/2023	110156628	07/06/2023	View Report	C3	2023

Period	Report Number	Filed	Report	Form Type	Election Year
06/20/2023 - 06/20/2023	110156629	07/06/2023	View Report	C3	2023
06/30/2023 - 06/30/2023	110156627	07/06/2023	View Report	C3	2023
07/17/2023 - 07/17/2023	110162073	07/25/2023	View Report	C3	2023
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Christopher John McCoy

McCoy for Mayor 2023 Race (M4M)

713 E Sunset Dr

Bellingham, WA 98225

chris@mccoy4mayor.com

3602242974

Registration Filed

Candidate

Full Reporting

Submitted date: 04/26/2023

Certified by chris@mccoy4mayor.com

2023

MCCOC--734

Candidacy

Christopher John McCoy

City Of Bellingham

Mayor

chris@mccoy4mayor.com

Bank Information

Whatcom Educational Credit Union

600 E Holly St

Bellingham, Washington Area, WA 98225

To schedule books review contact chris@mccoy4mayor.com

Officers

Christopher J McCoy

Canidate and Treasurer
Treasurer
713 E Sunset Dr
Bellingham, WA 98225
chris@mccoy4mayor.com
3602242974

Attachments

Name	Description
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Whatcom County Auditor, Election Division

[Whatcom County Election Division](#) | August 1, 2023 Primary

The "Estimated Ballots Left to Count" only includes ballots currently in our office. It does not estimate ballots that have not yet been received. Ballot signature cures and overseas ballots are not included and can be received up until the day before certification.

The "Next Ballot Count On" is an estimated time of when we will next release results.

A write-in candidate will not appear in election results if the total number of write-in votes is too small to affect the outcome of the election. (RCW 29A.60.021)

August 1, 2023 Primary

Last updated on 08/14/2023 4:43 PM

Number of Precincts	174
Number of Registered Voters	159,755
Total Ballots Counted	57,786
Estimated Ballots Left to Count	
Next Ballot Count On	FINAL
Last Tabulated	08/14/2023 4:43 PM
Voter Turnout	36.17%
Certification Date	08/15/2023
Export Results	CSV · XML Precincts CSV

County

Whatcom Executive		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Misty Flowers	1,820	3.19%
Alicia Rule	10,049	17.59%
Satpal Sidhu	19,890	34.82%
Dan Purdy	15,829	27.71%

Barry Buchanan	7,966	13.95%
Sukhwant Gill	1,468	2.57%
WRITE-IN	94	0.16%
Total Votes	57,116	
Precinct Results »		

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 Council District 4		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Mark Stremler	5,669	46.11%
Kathy Kershner	5,345	43.47%
Katherine Orlowski	1,252	10.18%
WRITE-IN	29	0.24%
Total Votes	12,295	
Precinct Results »		

Whatcom At-Large Position B		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Atul Deshmane	12,769	22.91%
Jon Scanlon	20,813	37.35%
Hannah Ordos	17,147	30.77%
Jerry Burns	4,813	8.64%

WRITE-IN	183	0.33%
Total Votes	55,725	
Precinct Results »		

City/Town

CITY OF BELLINGHAM Mayor		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Christopher J. McCoy	1,213	5.28%
Kim Lund	5,813	25.29%
Seth Fleetwood	8,440	36.72%
Mike McAuley	3,639	15.83%
Kristina Michele Martens	3,628	15.78%
WRITE-IN	252	1.1%
Total Votes	22,985	
Precinct Results »		

BELLINGHAM WARD 1 Council Ward 1		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Michi Marcher	221	6.12%
Hannah Stone	2,079	57.53%
Eamonn Collins	1,295	35.83%

WRITE-IN	19	0.53%
Total Votes	3,614	
Precinct Results »		

CITY OF BELLINGHAM Council At-Large		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Maya Morales	2,721	12.13%
Garrett O'Brien	4,024	17.93%
Paul Schissler	2,785	12.41%
Jace Cotton	7,622	33.97%
Russ Whidbee	5,200	23.17%
WRITE-IN	86	0.38%
Total Votes	22,438	
Precinct Results »		

CITY OF EVERSON Council Position 5		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Hadia Seddiqi	94	21.08%
Gary Locke	133	29.82%
Ashley Brown	213	47.76%
WRITE-IN	6	1.35%

Total Votes	446	
Precinct Results »		

School

FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 502 Director District 2		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Brent Bode	3,032	39.75%
Adrian Sheridan	1,040	13.63%
Antonio Machado Catano	3,537	46.37%
WRITE-IN	19	0.25%
Total Votes	7,628	
Precinct Results »		

BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT 503 Director District 2		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Tana Perkins Reneau	1,112	22.76%
Ben Lazarus	2,142	43.84%
Dean Berkeley	1,604	32.83%
WRITE-IN	28	0.57%
Total Votes	4,886	
Precinct Results »		

LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT 504 Director Position 3

Candidate	Vote	Vote %
David E. Vis	2,484	40.94%
Terry Montague	1,403	23.13%
Jim Verburg	2,125	35.03%
WRITE-IN	55	0.91%
Total Votes	6,067	

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MERIDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 505 Director District 5

Candidate	Vote	Vote %
J. Riley Sweeney	805	26.41%
Michelle Simmons	1,358	44.55%
Craig Mitchell	461	15.12%
Malia Pickett	414	13.58%
WRITE-IN	10	0.33%
Total Votes	3,048	

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SEDRO-WOOLLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 Director District 3

*Multi-county race. Results include only Whatcom County.

Candidate	Vote	Vote %
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Dani Baird Russell	0	
Tové Schweizer	0	
Hannah Oliver	0	
WRITE-IN	0	
Total Votes	0	
Multi-county Results » Precinct Results »		

Fire

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 4 Proposition 2023-01		
Measure	Vote	Vote %
Approved	2,172	70.04%
Rejected	929	29.96%
Total Votes	3,101	
Precinct Results »		

Hospital

HOSPITAL DISTRICT 304 Commissioner Position 2 *Multi-county race. Results include only Whatcom County.		
Candidate	Vote	Vote %
Ashley Gregorius	3	50%
Eric Lodjic	1	16.67%
Debra Lancaster	2	33.33%
WRITE-IN	0	
Total Votes	6	

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