

Clark Gilman replied Mon, 14 Jul 2025

To: PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Re: PDC - Clark Gilman: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures (EY25 JUL25)

I believe that public facing and transparent campaign reporting is an important support for our democracy. Amongst a sea of frivolous and malicious complaints Mr. Morgan has offered a couple of helpful observations. He has accurately pointed out that my previous campaign made errors in reporting by missing expenditures on our PDC filings. In addition, I was unaware of the reporting requirements for a surplus funds account and did not file a report describing the creation of the account. There is no missing money, but there were mistakes made in public disclosure reporting and I take responsibility for those errors. My campaign team is working to review our books and provide amended and corrected reports to the Public Disclosure Commission.

I will amend reporting from my 2021 election campaign to capture expenses that were missed on PDC reports and expenses that cleared after our final report to the PDC. In our initial examination it appears that the expenses we have identified will balance the books, accounting for all funds.

I did not file reporting for my surplus funds account. We will document those transactions and submit the proper filings. The funds remaining from the 2021 campaign were moved into a separate account at TwinStar Credit Union named Committee to Retain Clark Gilman - Surplus Funds. Those funds were returned to the election campaign account to begin my 2025 campaign for reelection to the Olympia City Council. There were surplus funds disbursed for expenses of serving in office that are not provided by the City, for example emailing services for a constituent newsletter.

We are reviewing bank statements across the time in question to prepare more accurate reporting. I am confident that there are no missing funds, nor are there misappropriated funds. My campaign is working, with guidance from the Public Disclosure Commission staff, to provide accurate reports of all contributions and expenditures and to properly record the movement of funds between the election campaign account and the surplus funds account.

Sincerely,

Clark Gilman

Candidate for reelection to Olympia City Council Position #4