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

I have been working with the public commissions' officer for the last 3 weeks. Since it's my first time running for public office, it wasn't an easy journey. Regarding the cost of the yard signs, t-shirts, banners, stickers, and postcards, per my arrangement with PDC, I will submit documentation of expenses by July 11th. While I personally paid Seattle Design and Print on June 23rd. My friends and family paid for my website editing and social media pages. If I filed some documentation late, I apologize, but the allegation as it stands is purely a political ploy.

As we all know, competitive elections sadly provoke mudslinging. But I will not respond in kind; rather, I will immediately resolve the issue with the PDC and return my focus to the many voters who seem eager to support me and the changes my campaign represents. My volunteer team and I are distributing postcards door-to-door and inviting public commentary. Again, I apologize if I submitted my expenses after the deadline—I promise to be prompt in my future PDC submissions.

Printing – expenses

The Seattle Design and Print delivered half of my orders for t-shirts, banners, stickers, and yard signs in the second week of June, but did not complete my orders until June 23rd, only after which did the printing office charge me the total amount of 4844.40. I spoke to the PDC which advised me to file before July 11.

Social media ad – expenses

My friends and family paid for my website editing and social media pages. The social media post was paid for by my relatives who support me. It's not a donation, but it's payment from their own pockets, which I was unaware I was expected to report given I was uninvolved in the transactions.

Website – expenses

Regarding expenses for my website Domain, I initially bought the domain for personal use, not political. I then updated my website on 21st of May, the same day I registered my campaign, and also, I have informed the Public disclosure commission officer.

My decision to run for the city council was affected by timing and circumstances. I greatly respect the council member who currently holds the position I seek. Last winter he intended to remain in office, and I supported him. But, in May, he suddenly announced his intention to retire without a successor, which created an opportunity that I had not expected and had to consider deeply. Any election brings immense challenges, and the short window for this one is certainly no exception. After evaluating my options for running my first campaign and outlining my city improvement plan, I decided to register on the last day. I made this decision neither lightly nor hastily, and I believe it is the right one.

I am the first member of the Nepali community to seek public office in Renton. This means I am unsurprised no established local leaders or council members have come forward to officially endorse me despite my work as a civil service commissioner to the Renton Regional Fire Authority. Throughout my door-to-door campaign, many voters and former candidates have expressed their enthusiasm for my

ideas. Though I may not fit the profile of the typical local politician on the council, I am not running to gain political clout; I am running because we need change, we need a new vision, and we need fresh ideas. I will do my best to make sure that my city gets better and remains the best in the world.

Sincerely,

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Candidate - Renton City Council

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Sent from my iPhone