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August 25, 2021

Delivered electronically to georgette4burien@gmail.com

Subject: PDC Case 96404

Dear Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Elizabeth Davis concerning a complaint filed July 17, 2021 with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) alleging violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to timely register with the PDC and timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures on Monetary Contributions (C-3) and Full Summary Contributions and Expenditures (C-4) reports.

As noted in the letter below, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not conduct a more formal investigation into the allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

PDC staff reminds you about the importance of timely and accurately filing with the PDC and staff expects in the future you will timely and accurately file reports in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

If you have questions, contact Alice Fiman toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

/s

Alice Fiman
Compliance Officer

/s

Kim Bradford
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Subject: Complaint regarding Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes, PDC Case 96404

Dear Elizabeth Davis:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint you filed July 17, 2021. The complaint alleged Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes, a 2021 candidate for Burien City Council, Position 5, violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures on Monetary Contributions (C-3) and Full Summary Contributions and Expenditures (C-4).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the applicable PDC reports, the evidence provided in the complaint and a response from Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations. We found the following:

- According to King County records, there were four candidates on the 2021 Primary Election ballot for Burien City Council, Position 5. Based on preliminary results from King County Elections, Reyes will not advance to the 2021 General Election.
- Reyes is a first-time candidate for public office.
- Reyes registered with the PDC and filed a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1) on July 19, 2021, noting a campaign start date of May 18, 2021. The registration and the F-1 were both filed 48 days late.
- Unfamiliarity with PDC filing systems and a later technical issue led to delays in filing C-3 and C-4 reports. The Reyes campaign believed the reports were available for public view.
- Once the complaint was filed and Reyes became aware they were unavailable, the Campaign worked with PDC staff and on July 29, 2021, this was resolved.
- On July 29, 2021, five reports were available on the PDC website, which included the initial C-4, covering May 2021, the 7- and 21-day pre-primary C-4s, and two C-3 reports. As of July 29, 2021, the Campaign reported \$670 in contributions and \$590.34 in expenditures.

- In response to the complaint, Reyes stated “Thank you for alerting me about it. The treasurer filed for May and June, but apparently she did it to a different place. She is also new in this political campaign and she has been working with a person to help her to do the report for July 26 since tuesday. I just forward this email to her, so she has the right information to re-send June's report along with July. I'm so sorry that this is not being taken care of the right way. We are all new in this business and everything is very confusing to us.”

Based on these findings, the fact Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes is a first-time candidate, was eligible for mini reporting and took prompt action to comply, PDC staff has determined that, in this instance, the failure to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Georgette (Trujillo) Reyes about the importance of timely registering with the PDC and filing required reports in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

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