

<b>Respondent Names</b>
Verna Seal
<b>Complainant Name</b>
Glen Morgan
<b>Complaint Description</b>
<p><a href="#">Glen Morgan</a>  reported via the portal  8 days ago (Tue, 9 Nov 2021 at 12:17 PM)  To whom it may concern,</p> <p>It has come to my attention that Tukwila City Councilmember Verna Seal has violated Washington State's campaign finance laws (<b>RCW 42.17A</b>). The specifics are as follows:</p> <p>1) Tukwila City Councilmember Verna Seal has violated <b>RCW 42.17A.710 (Exhibit-005.pdf)</b> and also violated <b>WAC 390-24-203 (2) (Exhibit-008.pdf)</b> regarding her <b>Statement of Financial Affairs (F1)</b> reports covering 2016 (<b>Exhibit-032.pdf</b>) and 2017 (<b>Exhibit-033.pdf</b>). Namely, she failed to report compensation paid to her by the <b>Center for Popular Democracy (CPD)</b> to attend their <b>Local Progress (LP)</b> political events in July 2016 in Pittsburgh, PA and in July 2017 in Austin, TX. (Note: <b>LP</b> is a "project" of <b>CPD</b>. <b>Exhibit-050.pdf</b>) These were only two political trips among many concealed from the public in collusion with other Tukwila Councilmembers, who were also involved in similar inappropriate travel and compensation; thus these trips also appear to be violations of <b>RCW 42.17A.550 (Exhibit-022.pdf)</b> and <b>RCW 42.17A.555 (Exhibit-024.pdf)</b>. They concealed this compensation from the public by not including it on their F1s, and by deliberately failing to follow their own Travel Policy (<b>Exhibit-101.pdf</b>), which requires oral or written reports of such travel. No written or oral reports were ever made, making this travel virtually invisible to the public. Meanwhile, this collusion also involved a Tukwila staff member, who aided them in concealing their actions from the public by using private emails and directing payments to herself, instead of to the Finance Department, as required by the Tukwila Travel Policy. (<b>Exhibit-101.pdf</b>) See <b>Exhibit-000.pdf</b> for an overview, placing this complaint in context with other violations, and <b>Exhibit-020.pdf</b> for additional evidence of collusion to conceal third-party compensated travel. These violations are detailed below, with attached exhibits:</p> <p><b>2016--</b></p> <p>On Friday May 20, 2016 at 12:27 PM, Tukwila Councilmember De'Sean Quinn forwarded an email message from Tarsi Dunlop (<b>Center for Popular Democracy, CPD</b>) using his private email address (<b>deseanquinn@gmail.com</b>) to the private email address of Tukwila Legislative Analyst, Laurel Humphrey (<b>laurelh@gmail.com</b>) and to the private email address of Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal (<b>vernaseal@gmail.com</b>). (See attached <b>Exhibit-124.pdf</b>) The message described an event by <b>Local Progress</b> (a division of <b>CPD</b>). This would have remained an untraceable secret communication, except Humphrey subsequently forwarded that message to her own city of Tukwila email account (<b>laurel.humphrey@tukwilawa.gov</b>)</p>

which is how I obtained this record via public records request. The same message shows Verna Seal was compensated \$250 for "Travel Aid" from Local Progress to attend their conference. Unfortunately, Seal never reported this compensation on her F1 covering 2016 (**Exhibit-032.pdf**). According to this same email message, Seal was also compensated for her meals, and hotel room. (Please see **Exhibit-124.pdf** stating, "Breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday will be provided at no cost to participants.") However, I can't determine the amount of these items, because no such records were provided via public records request. Since nothing of any amount was listed on Seal's F1 covering 2016 (**Exhibit-032.pdf**), this is a violation **RCW 42.17A.710 (Exhibit-005.pdf)** and **WAC 390-24-203(2) (Exhibit-008.pdf)**. Note: Although the conference was in July 2016, which is greater than the 5 year limit for Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) complaints, the F1 which should have contained this compensation was filed April 5, 2017, which is within the 5 year limit. Verna Seal should revise her F1 covering 2016 to disclose accurate compensation, including conference costs, transportation, meals, and lodging--all of which would be considered "gifts" since they came from an outside organization. Additionally, I've attached a receipt from Morton's Steakhouse in Pittsburgh, PA, for a lavish dinner at taxpayer expense, including two entries--\$51 Rack of Lamb and a \$42 Fillet Mignon--with tax and gratuity totaling \$147 for Seal herself, and fellow councilmember De'Sean Quinn. (**Exhibit-027.pdf**) While this was paid for by the City of Tukwila (and therefore the Tukwila taxpayers), not by Local Progress, it's indicative of the extravagant lifestyle at these events. Thus the amount of compensation for meals, which by law she is required to include on her revised F1 for 2016, should reflect dollar amounts commensurate with this extravagant lifestyle.

Note: in the same email message noted above (**Exhibit-124.pdf**) Tukwila Legislative Analyst, Laurel Humphrey, forwarded it to Councilmember Verna Seal at 11:59pm on Tuesday May 24th 2016, including these words, "Tomorrow is the last day to complete the financial aid survey—just making sure you have completed it or let me know if I can do it for you—I took care of De'Sean's." I did not receive any evidence via public records request showing that Humphrey "took care of De'Sean's" survey. Either the City of Tukwila failed to send it to me in via public records request, or it was accomplished using private email communications. This is yet another example of their attempt to conceal, from the public, evidence of inappropriate travel and compensation.

Among the many Public Disclosure Requests (PDRs) I received from the City of Tukwila I believe I've found an explanation for why Councilmember Seal feels entitled to conceal self-incriminating information from the public. In March 2013 she sent an email to the Tukwila Council Analyst at that time, Kimberly Matej, using her private email address (**vernaseal@gmail.com**). In this email Seal and Matej debated whether or not to inform others about an upcoming public meeting. Seal suggested "I think we should [sic] keep it to ourselves... I just don't want to be crucified at the dias by the peanut gallery for this one." (**Exhibit-301.pdf**) Evidently when Councilmember Verna Seal doesn't want to be criticized by people below her on the social hierarchy, like for example the "peanut gallery" citizens, then she feels justified hiding information from them; even when this is illegal, being a violation of **RCW 42.56**, the Washington State Public Records Act. Assuming she still held that same opinion four years later--regarding her obligation to report gift compensation to the PDC--it would explain why she felt justified concealing this wrongdoing too. Similar to the

"peanut gallery" citizens, she may feel the PDC staff is below her as well, which would explain why she doesn't want to face negative consequences from them either. The difference is that she is required by law to report gift compensation, and concealing this flow of money from the public is illegal.

It should be noted that Verna Seal has worked for many years as a Paralegal with various prominent law firms; (**Exhibit-070.pdf**) therefore, she should be held to a higher standard. Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal should know the importance of following the law and being thorough and accurate. She knows it's illegal to conceal information, especially regarding official reports to the PDC, whether this information is self-incriminating or not. Hiding such information simply makes a person look guilty, especially when deliberately concealed gift compensation is received from an organization connected with illegal activities, such as voter fraud! (See **Exhibit-050.pdf** and **Exhibit-043.pdf** showing the connections between the CPD, ACORN, and voter fraud.) This effort to conceal gifts was clearly in collusion with other Tukwila Councilmembers, who ALL had to "look the other way" regarding their own Travel Policy and reporting to the public. The public should not pay for Councilmembers to attend events related to "running for office" or for overtly political purposes, however this is exactly what happened when the City of Tukwila paid for Councilmembers Verna Seal and De'Sean Quinn to attend the Local Progress "convening" in 2016. (**Exhibit-057.pdf**) This is a violation of both **RCW 42.52.180 (Exhibit-009.pdf)** and **RCW 42.17A.555 (Exhibit-024.pdf)**.

**2017--**

In July 2017 Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal enjoyed a weekend in Austin, TX attending a Local Progress (LP) convention, courtesy of the Center for Popular Democracy (CPD) and the City of Tukwila taxpayers. (Note: LP is a project of CPD (**Exhibit-050.pdf**)). On Wednesday April 19, 2017 Seal received an email at her private email account (**vernaseal@gmail.com**) from Tarsi Dunlop of Local Progress (**Exhibit-148.pdf**) stating; "We're so excited to welcome you to Austn [sic], TX this summer. If you are receiving this email, then you've requested financial assistance and been granted our standard aid package." It's obvious from this statement that Councilmember Seal had already communicated privately with LP and requested money (financial aid) to attend this event. Such compensation should only be accepted if it's reported on the annual **Statement of Financial Affairs (F1)** and filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) the following year. Seal never included this gift compensation on her F1 covering 2017 (**Exhibit-033.pdf**), so this was a violation of **RCW 42.17A.710 (Exhibit-005.pdf)** and also **WAC 390-24-203 (2) (Exhibit-008.pdf)**. Hiding this from the public is what makes this an illegal gift. No matter how unseemly it is for politicians to "have their hand out" for money, it's far worse when they hide such gifts from the public. So why do we even know about this violation? As I'll explain below, it's because Councilmember Verna Seal's greed and her sense of entitlement.

During my search of Tukwila public records I was struck by Verna Seal's entitled attitude toward spending public money, yet a reluctance to use any of her own money. The lavish dinner at Morton's Steak House, mentioned above, is a good example. Yet this reluctance to spend her own money happened repeatedly, even expecting staff members to go out of their

way, further increasing the cost to taxpayers, so she wouldn't have to pay for something herself. I'm including two additional examples here. Although the date of **Exhibit-303.pdf** (in April 2015) is too early to be a part of this complaint, it's significantly revealing of Seal's cavalier attitude toward spending the public's money on herself. This exhibit shows that the Tukwila credit card (PCard) issued to Councilmember Seal had been compromised and a replacement was en route to the city. However, she was concerned, because it might not be available in time to pay for the hotel cost of yet another trip she was planning at taxpayer expense. Without the city PCard she might have to use her personal credit card, requiring later reimbursement by the city. Seal said, "**My only concern really is the room being paid for. That's a huge hit to my personal card.**" She even said to Tukwila Legislative Analyst Laurel Humphrey, "**If the card comes in the morning... then perhaps you can meet me at the Tukwila Light Rail...**" It should be mentioned here that with salary and benefits Humphrey currently costs the taxpayers of Tukwila over \$155,000 per year (**Exhibit-048.pdf**), so utilizing her time in this way costs the taxpayers about \$1.25 per minute. She is treating Humphrey like her own personal assistant. Every minute Humphrey serves Seal this way costs the Tukwila Taxpayers additional money. Another more recent example (**Exhibit-162.pdf**) shows the extent of extra effort that Verna Seal is willing to expend to prevent using her own money. During the July 2017 trip to Local Progress she purchased on-board food--a \$10.99 expense. But she didn't keep a receipt, so Laurel Humphrey had to contact Delta Airlines for a copy. At \$1.25 per minute the time spent by Laurel Humphrey, for email communications regarding an \$11 expense, plus processing it through the Finance Department, likely tripled the cost to Tukwila. It probably cost Tukwila taxpayers somewhere between \$30 and \$40 total, because Council Member Verna Seal wouldn't spend \$11 of her own money.

In that email message mentioned above from Tarsi Dunlop (**Exhibit-148.pdf**) she explained that the hotel room cost is covered unless a single room is requested. Councilmember Seal felt entitled to a private room, but again, didn't want to pay for it herself -- she wanted the Tukwila taxpayers to pay instead. So she forwarded the private message to her own City of Tukwila email address ([verna.seal@tukwilawa.gov](mailto:verna.seal@tukwilawa.gov)) and next forwarded that to Tukwila Legislative Analyst Laurel Humphrey, stating "**I'm keeping you in the loop because I'd like to have a single room which means I'll be paying extra.**" It's revealing to clarify two important facts in that statement: (1) If Seal were really "paying extra" herself, then she wouldn't have needed to forward it to Laurel Humphrey. No, because of greed, she kept Laurel Humphrey "in the loop" so Tukwila taxpayers would pay the remaining cost of her hotel room. Remember, this communication was initially sent to Seal's private email. This illegal gift ONLY became traceable by the public because she didn't want to pay for it with her own money. (Perhaps she thought no one would follow the money trail.) And (2) It didn't need to cost the taxpayers anything, but because she felt entitled to a private room, it cost them an extra \$228.86. (**Exhibit-071.pdf**) Otherwise, Verna Seal likely would not have involved Humphrey at all and the public would never even know. Seal's own greed and sense of entitlement brought this illegal gift into the public eye. How many other illegal gifts are successfully concealed from the public because other politicians are not as greedy and selfish as Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal?

The total amount paid by **CPD**, for Councilmember Verna Seal to attend this Austin, TX event is still unknown. We know the City of Tukwila was reimbursed \$200 from **CPD** for airfare (**Exhibit-154.pdf** and **Exhibit-302.pdf**), but this \$200 was never reported on her F1 covering 2017 (**Exhibit-033.pdf**) . Additionally, Seal did not report the \$228.86 gift of one-half the lodging cost (**Exhibit-071.pdf**) and an unknown amount for meals. (**Exhibit-072.pdf**) The failure to report all this compensation is a violation of **RCW 42.17A.710** (**Exhibit-005.pdf**) and also **WAC 390-24-203 (2)** (**Exhibit-008.pdf**). Since these were political events, they are also a violation of **RCW 42.17A.550** (**Exhibit-022.pdf**) and **RCW 42.17A.555** (**Exhibit-024.pdf**)

Several factors made it very difficult for me to "follow the money" for the reimbursement from **CPD** for Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal's travel in July of 2017. Through my public records requests I received a "General Ledger Expenditure Detail" for 2017, which showed a \$200 credit attributed to "Miscellaneous". (**Exhibit-039.pdf**). Nothing should be identified as "Miscellaneous" regarding public tax dollars, so I filed another records request for the "Miscellaneous" line item. Only then did I uncover the deliberate concealment of Verna Seal's \$200 reimbursement gift. (**Exhibit-302.pdf**).

The route for receiving this check by the City of Tukwila is also VERY suspicious of wrongdoing, which could explain why they tried so hard to hide it from the public. **Exhibit-150.pdf** shows that **CPD** had a practice of physically handing checks to public officials at their events. In this case it was evidently handed directly to Councilmember Verna Seal and Seal later gave it to Laurel Humphrey. Much later. In this exhibit Seal said, "**I also have a check from Local Progress to give you. Sorry this took so long.**" This email communication between Seal and Humphrey was August 31, 2017. The event was in July 2017. Why did it take Seal over a month to give the check to Laurel Humphrey? Humphrey replied "**I was wondering where that check was! I asked Tarsi to send it here with my name on it.**" The circuitous route of this check to the city explains why the Tukwila Travel Policy (**Exhibit-101.pdf**) requires a "**daily record of expenses for lodging, meals, transportation, and incidental expenses should be maintained, with receipts attached to the record...**" which is supposed to be "**submitted to the Finance Department...**" Both Councilmember Verna Seal and Legislative Analyst Humphrey violated this travel policy. No "daily record" was maintained by Seal, the receipts were sent to Laurel Humphrey, not the Finance Department, and Humphrey herself requested checks to be sent directly to her, **with her name on them!** Remember, **CPD** is an organization that was affiliated with ACORN and Voter Fraud. (**Exhibit-050.pdf** and **Exhibit-043.pdf**) Is this the type of organization that should be giving checks directly to public officials? This is further evidence of collusion of staff members, including Legislative Analyst Laurel Humphrey, and possibly others in the Finance Department, labeling an illegal compensation as "Miscellaneous" and making it more difficult to follow the money trail.

I am asking the PDC to require Tukwila Councilmember Verna Seal to revise both her F1s covering 2016 and 2017 to disclose all these illegal gifts from **CPD**.

Please note, as I have done in the past, I have labelled the exhibits both in the complaint draft and on the file names and have attached them as follows. The following is a complete list of these exhibits for staff reference and ease of tracking.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

**List of Exhibits**

- Exhibit-000.pdf**
- Exhibit-005.pdf**
- Exhibit-008.pdf**
- Exhibit-009.pdf**
- Exhibit-020.pdf**
- Exhibit-022.pdf**
- Exhibit-024.pdf**
- Exhibit-027.pdf**
- Exhibit-032.pdf**
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- Exhibit-303.pdf**

**What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?**

The public has a right to know if their elected officials are concealing the truth from them. This is particularly true if their public officials are being secretly funded by outside special interests including the corporate influence organizations influencing this Tukwila City Councilmember. If these payouts are concealed from the public then it should be exposed

and this councilmember should be forced to acknowledge the truth she has worked so hard to conceal from the public.

**List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found**

All are referenced in the complaint draft itself. They are labelled and organized by the same exhibit reference number in the files attached for ease of staff review and reference.

**List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them**

In addition to the politician - Tukwila City Councilmember Verna Seal, it seems likely that staff could benefit from speaking to the Tukwila staff members who colluded with this politician to conceal these (and likely other) corporate subsidies of her political activities while on the council.

**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.

## Overview Statement

I've uncovered a *major scam* affecting cities all across the United States. Outside "progressive" organizations are buying influence in local governments by providing partial compensation for elected officials to attend covert and even overt political events. Because this is partial compensation, the local governments are picking up the tab for the remainder of these travel expenses, camouflaged as official city travel. While not naming political parties, they are nevertheless promoting political policies at public expense, and covering it up to prevent the public from becoming aware. The cover-ups themselves often violate open records laws, by such means as communicating through secret or private email accounts, instead of using accounts provided by the public agency. This effectively prevents the public from obtaining proof of wrongdoing via Public Records Requests. Occasionally, they use public email accounts, which has provided me with the evidence I have thus far, but also the evidence revealing their use of secret emails in the process. Keeping these violations hidden is only possible by ignoring traditional safeguards against corruption and abuse, such as oral or written reports of such travel, with complicity by other elected officials and city employees, who fail to enforce their own laws and simply look the other way. In truth, many of them are also in on the scam too.

While I don't have evidence of actual money changing hands, that could be included too. Nevertheless, bribery really isn't needed, because this travel strokes the ego of these elected officials -- making them feel important while traveling at public expense, and living an elite lifestyle they couldn't afford had they not been elected. Staying at expensive hotels and resorts and eating at expensive restaurants, these are virtually all-expense-paid vacations. It's merely bribery by another name, leveraged with tax dollars.

Meanwhile, the progressive organizations who organize travel events constantly lobby the now compromised officials to support progressive policies; such as, defunding the police, combating anthropogenic climate change, and supporting the homeless industrial complex. They even write proposed legislation and draft press releases. So instead of elected officials taking direction from their own constituents, they are literally taking direction from outside organizations who provide them with paid vacations and entertainment. Again, bribery by another name.

This scam is clear to see in the City of Tukwila. I've been following politics for many years and when I find particular agencies are lacking transparency it usually means they have something to hide. So then I dig deeper.

In Tukwila I first became aware of Councilmember De'Sean Quinn because of his many campaign finance violations. So I began digging deeper through many Public Records Requests. Initially I focused exclusively on Quinn, but over time I realized the secrecy and lack of transparency was much more widespread, also involving additional Tukwila City Councilmembers and some city staff too. I found the City Council was holding lavish City Council Retreats in remote areas, like expensive hotels and resorts, where the public could not easily attend. So I began attending some of these retreats myself and video-taping the proceedings. At every retreat I was the only member of the public attending, and it became clear their goal was to exclude the public, while enjoying a lavish "vacation" at their expense. I also found the minutes of these retreats were often vague, not fully documenting what had transpired. This was clearly a culture of concealing things from the public--namely the people who were footing the bill. So I dug even deeper and uncovered the *major scam* described above.

Currently, I'm filing a series of PDC Complaints and Ethics violations to show through exhibits how all these jig-saw puzzle pieces fit together in Tukwila. The assembled picture will be an ugly display of political corruption.

## RCW 42.17A.710

### Statement of financial affairs—Contents.

(1) The statement of financial affairs required by RCW 42.17A.700 shall disclose the following information for the reporting individual and each member of the reporting individual's immediate family:

(a) Occupation, name of employer, and business address;

(b) Each bank account, savings account, and insurance policy in which a direct financial interest was held that exceeds \*twenty thousand dollars at any time during the reporting period; each other item of intangible personal property in which a direct financial interest was held that exceeds \*two thousand dollars during the reporting period; the name, address, and nature of the entity; and the nature and highest value of each direct financial interest during the reporting period;

(c) The name and address of each creditor to whom the value of \*two thousand dollars or more was owed; the original amount of each debt to each creditor; the amount of each debt owed to each creditor as of the date of filing; the terms of repayment of each debt; and the security given, if any, for each such debt. Debts arising from a "retail installment transaction" as defined in chapter 63.14 RCW (retail installment sales act) need not be reported;

(d) Every public or private office, directorship, and position held as trustee; except that an elected official or executive state officer need not report the elected official's or executive state officer's service on a governmental board, commission, association, or functional equivalent, when such service is part of the elected official's or executive state officer's official duties;

(e) All persons for whom any legislation, rule, rate, or standard has been prepared, promoted, or opposed for current or deferred compensation. For the purposes of this subsection, "compensation" does not include payments made to the person reporting by the governmental entity for which the person serves as an elected official or state executive officer or professional staff member for the person's service in office; the description of such actual or proposed legislation, rules, rates, or standards; and the amount of current or deferred compensation paid or promised to be paid;

(f) The name and address of each governmental entity, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, or other business or commercial entity from whom compensation has been received in any form of a total value of \*two thousand dollars or more; the value of the compensation; and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation;

(g) The name of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, union, or other entity in which is held any office, directorship, or any general partnership interest, or an ownership interest of ten percent or more; the name or title of that office, directorship, or partnership; the nature of ownership interest; and: (i) With respect to a governmental unit in which the official seeks or holds any office or position, if the entity has received compensation in any form during the preceding twelve months from the governmental unit, the value of the compensation and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation; and (ii) the name of each governmental unit, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, or other business or commercial entity from which the entity has received compensation in any form in the amount of \*ten thousand dollars or more during the preceding twelve months and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation. As used in (g)(ii) of this subsection, "compensation" does not include payment for water and other utility services at rates approved by the Washington state utilities and transportation commission or the legislative authority of the public entity providing the service. With respect to any bank or commercial lending institution in which is held any office, directorship, partnership interest, or ownership interest, it shall only be necessary to report either the name, address, and occupation of every director and officer of the bank or commercial lending institution and the average monthly balance of each account held during the preceding twelve months by the bank or commercial lending institution from the governmental entity for which the individual is an official or candidate or professional staff member, or all interest paid by a borrower on loans from and all interest paid to a depositor by the bank or commercial lending institution if the interest exceeds \*two thousand four hundred dollars;

(h) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \*ten thousand dollars in which any direct financial interest was acquired during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the financial interest and of the consideration given in exchange for that interest;

(i) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \*ten thousand dollars in which any direct financial interest was divested during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the consideration received in exchange for that interest, and the name and address of the person furnishing the consideration;

(j) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \*ten thousand dollars in which a direct financial interest was held. If a description of the property has been included in a report previously filed, the property may be listed, for purposes of this subsection (1)(j), by reference to the previously filed report;

(k) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \*twenty thousand dollars, in which a corporation, partnership, firm, enterprise, or other entity had a direct financial interest, in which corporation, partnership, firm, or enterprise a ten percent or greater ownership interest was held;

(l) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at which food and beverage in excess of fifty dollars was accepted under RCW **42.52.150**(5);

(m) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at which items specified in RCW **42.52.010**(9) (d) and (f) were accepted; and

(n) Such other information as the commission may deem necessary in order to properly carry out the purposes and policies of this chapter, as the commission shall prescribe by rule.

(2)(a) When judges, prosecutors, sheriffs, or their immediate family members are required to disclose real property that is the personal residence of the judge, prosecutor, or sheriff, the requirements of subsection (1)(h) through (k) of this section may be satisfied for that property by substituting:

(i) The city or town;

(ii) The type of residence, such as a single-family or multifamily residence, and the nature of ownership; and

(iii) Such other identifying information the commission prescribes by rule for the mailing address where the property is located.

(b) Nothing in this subsection relieves the judge, prosecutor, or sheriff of any other applicable obligations to disclose potential conflicts or to recuse oneself.

(3)(a) Where an amount is required to be reported under subsection (1)(a) through (m) of this section, it may be reported within a range as provided in (b) of this subsection.

(b)

Code A	Less than thirty thousand dollars;
Code B	At least thirty thousand dollars, but less than sixty thousand dollars;
Code C	At least sixty thousand dollars, but less than one hundred thousand dollars;
Code D	At least one hundred thousand dollars, but less than two hundred thousand dollars;
Code E	At least two hundred thousand dollars, but less than five hundred

	thousand dollars;
Code F	At least five hundred thousand dollars, but less than seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars;
Code G	At least seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, but less than one million dollars; or
Code H	One million dollars or more.

(c) An amount of stock may be reported by number of shares instead of by market value. No provision of this subsection may be interpreted to prevent any person from filing more information or more detailed information than required.

(4) Items of value given to an official's or employee's spouse, domestic partner, or family member are attributable to the official or employee, except the item is not attributable if an independent business, family, or social relationship exists between the donor and the spouse, domestic partner, or family member.

[ **2019 c 428 § 36**; **2010 c 204 § 903**; **2008 c 6 § 202**; **1995 c 397 § 9**; **1984 c 34 § 3**; **1979 ex.s. c 126 § 42**. Formerly RCW **42.17.241**.]

## NOTES:

**\*Reviser's note:** The dollar amounts in this section may have been adjusted for inflation by rule of the commission adopted under the authority of RCW **42.17A.125**. For current dollar amounts, see WAC 390-24-301.

**Effective date—2019 c 428 §§ 35 and 36:** See note following RCW **42.17A.700**.

**Finding—Intent—2019 c 428:** See note following RCW **42.17A.160**.

**Part headings not law—Severability—2008 c 6:** See RCW **26.60.900** and **26.60.901**.

**Purpose—1979 ex.s. c 126:** See RCW **29A.60.280(1)**.

**WAC 390-24-203 Reporting of field trips and other excursions.**

(1) All persons required to file reports pursuant to RCW 42.17A.615 who provide field trips or other excursions to elected and appointed officials, and other individuals required to file the Personal Financial Affairs Statement (PDC Form F-1) shall file, on the appropriate monthly L-2 or L-2 Memo Report, the identity of persons attending the field trip or other excursion along with the date, pro rata cost, and a brief description of the field trip or other excursion.

(2) All persons required to file pursuant to RCW 42.17A.710 who attend a field trip or other excursion paid for or provided by a lobbyist, lobbyist employer, or other person paying for or providing field trips or other excursions shall report the date, name of the person paying for or providing the field trip or excursion, pro rata cost attributable to the filer, applicable code value, and a brief description of the field trip or other excursion as part of the F-1 statement that covers the date of the field trip or other excursion.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 42.17A.110. WSR 12-03-002, § 390-24-203, filed 1/4/12, effective 2/4/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 42.17.370(1). WSR 00-22-059, § 390-24-203, filed 10/27/00, effective 11/27/00.]

## RCW 42.52.180

### Use of public resources for political campaigns.

(1) No state officer or state employee may use or authorize the use of facilities of an agency, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of assisting a campaign for election of a person to an office or for the promotion of or opposition to a ballot proposition. Knowing acquiescence by a person with authority to direct, control, or influence the actions of the state officer or state employee using public resources in violation of this section constitutes a violation of this section. Facilities of an agency include, but are not limited to, use of stationery, postage, machines, and equipment, use of state employees of the agency during working hours, vehicles, office space, publications of the agency, and clientele lists of persons served by the agency.

(2) This section shall not apply to the following activities:

(a) Action taken at an open public meeting by members of an elected legislative body to express a collective decision, or to actually vote upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, or ordinance, or to support or oppose a ballot proposition as long as (i) required notice of the meeting includes the title and number of the ballot proposition, and (ii) members of the legislative body or members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view;

(b) A statement by an elected official in support of or in opposition to any ballot proposition at an open press conference or in response to a specific inquiry. For the purposes of this subsection, it is not a violation of this section for an elected official to respond to an inquiry regarding a ballot proposition, to make incidental remarks concerning a ballot proposition in an official communication, or otherwise comment on a ballot proposition without an actual, measurable expenditure of public funds. The ethics boards shall adopt by rule a definition of measurable expenditure;

(c) The maintenance of official legislative web sites throughout the year, regardless of pending elections. The web sites may contain any discretionary material which was also specifically prepared for the legislator in the course of his or her duties as a legislator, including newsletters and press releases. The official legislative web sites of legislators seeking reelection or election to any office shall not be altered, other than during a special legislative session, beginning on the first day of the declaration of candidacy filing period specified in RCW 29A.24.050 through the date of certification of the general election of the election year. The web site shall not be used for campaign purposes;

(d) Activities that are part of the normal and regular conduct of the office or agency; and

(e) De minimis use of public facilities by statewide elected officials and legislators incidental to the preparation or delivery of permissible communications, including written and verbal communications initiated by them of their views on ballot propositions that foreseeably may affect a matter that falls within their constitutional or statutory responsibilities.

(3) As to state officers and employees, this section operates to the exclusion of RCW 42.17A.555.

[ 2017 c 7 § 2; 2011 c 60 § 30; 2010 c 185 § 1; 1995 c 397 § 30; 1994 c 154 § 118.]

### NOTES:

**Finding—Intent—2017 c 7:** "The legislature finds that the prohibition on the use of public resources for campaign purposes serves an important purpose, but that the period prohibiting state legislators from communicating with constituents at public expense is unnecessary once the election, and the campaign itself, has ended. Furthermore, the delay in constituent outreach after the election only hinders a legislator's ability to quickly and effectively respond to requests and keep the public informed about current state issues, and the various deadlines relating to mailed, emailed, and web site communications are confusing and need to be harmonized. For these reasons, the legislature intends to change mailed, emailed, and web site communication deadlines to the same time periods, in order to

allow legislators to actively engage with the public on official legislative business in a timely and effective manner." [ [2017 c 7 § 1.](#)]

**Effective date—2017 c 7:** "This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately [March 31, 2017]." [ [2017 c 7 § 4.](#)]

**Effective date—2011 c 60:** See RCW [42.17A.919](#).

**Effective date—Captions—1995 c 397:** See RCW [42.17A.910](#) and [42.17A.911](#).

# Pattern of Concealing Gift Compensation

## Introduction

This exhibit describes how Tukwila City Councilmembers and certain city staff colluded to conceal inappropriate travel and gift compensation for the years 2016, 2017, and 2018. It also describes my efforts to understand whether this was deliberate cover-up or merely an oversight to fully disclose. Note: even a oversight is a violation, but "intent" is important to determine whether a violation is malicious. I'll present evidence below that this ongoing cover-up was indeed (and still is) a malicious and deliberate effort to conceal wrongdoing from the public.

I conducted most of my investigation through the focused use of **Public Disclosure Requests (PDRs)** and by reviewing publically available records online. My investigation into Tukwila has thus far occupied several years and will likely continue for a few more.

## Background

**RCW 42.17A.700** requires certain public officials in Washington state to file an annual **Statement of Financial Affairs (F1)** with the **Public Disclosure Commission (PDC)**. The purpose of the F1 is to inform the public how these officials were compensated during the prior year. The necessary Contents of the F1 are defined in **RCW 42.17A.710. (Exhibit-005.pdf)**

The state anticipates that while pursuing their official duties public officers will incur reasonable expenses. However, such expenses should normally be paid by the agency they serve, not by a third party. When a third-party does pay these expenses this is considered a "gift" or "gift compensation" and the amount of that compensation needs to be disclosed on the official's next annual F1. **RCW 42.52.150 (Exhibit-007.pdf)** defines limitations on gifts given to public officials, with paragraph (5) referring to "gifts in the form of food and beverage". And **RCW 42.52.010 (Exhibit-021.pdf)** contains the definition of gift. NOTE: According to the definition there could be some debate on whether or not food and beverages and even travel and lodging are always a reportable "gift" under all circumstances. However, according to **RCW 42.17A.710 (l) & (m) (Exhibit-005.pdf)** there's no doubt these items still need to be disclosed on the next annual F1, whatever they are called. I'm referring to them as "gift compensation" because they're clearly something "of economic value for which no consideration is given" and the state requires them to be disclosed.

The Tukwila Travel Policy (**Exhibit-101.pdf**) requires City Councilmembers to, "**Upon returning from a class or conference, Councilmembers will prepare an oral or written report for the Council.**" The entire City Council is the recipient of such a report, so I believe a failure to enforce this obligation falls on all of them.

## Evidence

Much of the communication for this travel was conducted using private email accounts, instead of using email accounts provided by the City of Tukwila. So when I asked for records via PDRs, a lot of the information was missing. That was a "red flag" that they were trying to conceal something they didn't want the public to know. Frequently, initial communications for any given travel event began using private emails. I had to rely on those few emails which were forwarded to an official City of Tukwila email account to decipher what had occurred. Throughout the various complaints, which are still largely in-work, I plan to identify when there's evidence of private emails being used. That evidence will be scattered among different exhibits.

Upon reviewing thousands of records obtained by PDR and reviewing hundreds of hours of City Council videos on Tukwila's own website I could **NEVER** find **ANY** evidence that they **EVER** reported **EVEN ONCE** on any travel where they received gift compensation from outside organizations. Yet they **FREQUENTLY** reported on travel to **OTHER EVENTS**, such as the **National League of Cities (NLC)** and **Association of Washington Cities (AWC)**. Why the discrepancy? Why did they provide oral reports on other travel events, but not for those for which they received compensation? And why didn't they report the compensation on their F1s? Both obligations to report were missing!

I can demonstrate through PDC complaints that four Tukwila City Councilmembers failed to properly report gift compensation on their F1s. That much is simple. But the dilemma is how can I present evidence of something that was supposed to occur (an oral or written report), but didn't? There is no evidence. **The relevant evidence is their failure to report on inappropriate travel compensation, in contrast to other travel. The evidence to the contrary is conspicuous by its absence.** Early in my investigation it became clear this was deliberate collusion by other Councilmembers to conceal evidence of illegal compensation -- compensation in the form of reimbursed expenses by third-parties.

To confirm my suspicion I chose one travel event and asked via PDR for any records where a report was given. Their reply? "No Responsive Records" (See email exchange below.)

## Pattern of Concealing Gift Compensation

July 16, 2019

Glen Morgan

We the Governed, LLC

1001 Cooper Pt. Rd. SW, #140-222

Olympia, WA 98502

**RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST RECEIVED 7/10/2019**

The City of Tukwila is in receipt of your public records request received via email in the City Clerk's Office on July 10, 2019. Due to an unforeseen and extended illness within the City Clerk's Office, our office will be assisting in processing some of the City's public records requests. In summary, the request is for Councilmember De'Sean Quinn's prepared oral or written report of his attendance at the New American Leaders Conference in Washington DC in November 2017.

The Revised Code of Washington (RCW) requires a prompt response to all requests for public record. Within five business days, the City must:

1. Make the record available for inspection or copying; or
2. Provide an internet address and link on the agency's website to the specific records requested; or
3. Acknowledge that the request has been received and provide a reasonable estimate of when records will be available; or
4. Request clarification and to the greatest extent possible, provide an estimate of the time to respond if the request is not clarified; or
5. Deny the request and provide a statutory reason as to why the request is being denied.

City staff has completed their search and determined no responsive records are available.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 425-392-7090. Please respond to this email to ensure you are in receipt. Thank you.

Antoinette Mattox

Paralegal

Kenyon Disend, PLLC

**From:** Glen Morgan <glen@wethegoverned.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 9, 2019 5:48 PM  
**To:** Tukwila City Clerk <TukwilaCityClerk@TukwilaWA.gov>  
**Subject:** PRA Request - 7-9-19 - Quinn Travel Questions

Attention Public Records Officer,

I am filing this as an official request for public records pursuant to RCW 42.56.

Please see attached files as background.

File **2017.pdf.pgs264-276.pdf** is an extract of 13 pages from a file obtained from the City of Tukwila via Public Disclosure Request. It shows that Councilmember De'Sean Quinn traveled to Washington DC in November 2017 to attend a conference of the New American Leaders.

File **WhatWeDo-NAL.pdf** is a print from the New American Leaders web site. This organization prepares immigrants to run for political office. As such, attendance at this conference at taxpayer expense is a misuse of public funds.

File **CC-POL-06 Council Travel Policy.pdf** is the City of Tukwila Travel policy for City Council members. Section II.C states:

"Upon returning from a class or conference, Councilmembers will prepare an oral or written report for the Council."

Please provide any public records proving that "upon returning" Councilmember De'Sean Quinn prepared either an oral or written report of his attendance at this conference.

While I believe this request is clear, as the statute requires, please construe this request liberally. However, if you need further clarification about this request, please feel free to contact me.

I would prefer to receive these records digitally via email.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

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(360) 791-6556

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside the City of Tukwila network. Please **DO NOT** open attachments or click links from an unknown or suspicious origin.

**RCW 42.17A.550****Use of public funds for political purposes.**

Public funds, whether derived through taxes, fees, penalties, or any other sources, shall not be used to finance political campaigns for state or school district office. A county, city, town, or district that establishes a program to publicly finance local political campaigns may only use funds derived from local sources to fund the program. A local government must submit any proposal for public financing of local political campaigns to voters for their adoption and approval or rejection.

[ **2008 c 29 § 1**; **1993 c 2 § 24** (Initiative Measure No. 134, approved November 3, 1992). Formerly RCW **42.17.128**.]

**RCW 42.17A.555****Use of public office or agency facilities in campaigns—Prohibition—Exceptions.**

No elective official nor any employee of his or her office nor any person appointed to or employed by any public office or agency may use or authorize the use of any of the facilities of a public office or agency, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of assisting a campaign for election of any person to any office or for the promotion of or opposition to any ballot proposition. Facilities of a public office or agency include, but are not limited to, use of stationery, postage, machines, and equipment, use of employees of the office or agency during working hours, vehicles, office space, publications of the office or agency, and clientele lists of persons served by the office or agency. However, this does not apply to the following activities:

(1) Action taken at an open public meeting by members of an elected legislative body or by an elected board, council, or commission of a special purpose district including, but not limited to, fire districts, public hospital districts, library districts, park districts, port districts, public utility districts, school districts, sewer districts, and water districts, to express a collective decision, or to actually vote upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, or ordinance, or to support or oppose a ballot proposition so long as (a) any required notice of the meeting includes the title and number of the ballot proposition, and (b) members of the legislative body, members of the board, council, or commission of the special purpose district, or members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view;

(2) A statement by an elected official in support of or in opposition to any ballot proposition at an open press conference or in response to a specific inquiry;

(3) Activities which are part of the normal and regular conduct of the office or agency.

(4) This section does not apply to any person who is a state officer or state employee as defined in RCW [42.52.010](#).

[ [2010 c 204 § 701](#); [2006 c 215 § 2](#); [1979 ex.s. c 265 § 2](#); 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 112 § 6; [1973 c 1 § 13](#) (Initiative Measure No. 276, approved November 7, 1972). Formerly RCW [42.17.130](#).]

**NOTES:**

**Finding—Intent—2006 c 215:** "(1) The legislature finds that the public benefits from an open and inclusive discussion of proposed ballot measures by local elected leaders, and that for twenty-five years these discussions have included the opportunity for elected boards, councils, and commissions of special purpose districts to vote in open public meetings in order to express their support of, or opposition to, ballot propositions affecting their jurisdictions.

(2) The legislature intends to affirm and clarify the state's long-standing policy of promoting informed public discussion and understanding of ballot propositions by allowing elected boards, councils, and commissions of special purpose districts to adopt resolutions supporting or opposing ballot propositions." [ [2006 c 215 § 1](#).]

**Disposition of violations before January 1, 1995:** "Any violations occurring prior to January 1, 1995, of any of the following laws shall be disposed of as if chapter 154, Laws of 1994 were not enacted and such laws continued in full force and effect: \*RCW [42.17.130](#), chapter [42.18](#) RCW, chapter [42.21](#) RCW, and chapter [42.22](#) RCW." [ [1994 c 154 § 226](#).]

**\*Reviser's note:** RCW [42.17.130](#) was recodified as RCW [42.17A.555](#) pursuant to 2010 c 204 § 1102, effective January 1, 2012.





Verna & De'Leon

Morton's The Steakhouse  
625 Liberty Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
(412) 261-7141

Server: Kristina - DOB: 07/08/2016  
08:47 PM 07/08/2016  
Table 12/1 3/30009

SALE

Visa 2097162  
Card #XXXXXXXXXX4043  
Magnetic card present: SEAL/VERNA I  
Card Entry Method: S

Approval: 040478

Amount: \$123.00  
+ Gratuity Not Inclu: 24.00  
= Balance Due: 147.00

I agree to pay the above  
total amount according to the  
card issuer agreement.

X

For banquet events, balance due  
includes suggested gratuity if accepted.

Morton's Copy

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Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
(412) 261-7141

Server: Kristina - DOB: 07/08/2016  
Table 12/1 8:46 PM  
Guests: 2 30009  
Area: Restaurant

SourCream Mashed Potatoes 13.00  
Rack of Lamb 51.00  
Filet Mignon, 6oz 42.00  
Bleu Cheese Butter 5.00  
Iced Tea 3.95

Subtotal 114.95  
Tax 8.05

Total 123.00

\*Balance Due\* \$123.00

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# City of Tukwila - PCard Transaction Log

CA13

Name **VERNA I SEAL**  
 Department **Council**  
 Card Number **\*\*4043**  
 Default Accounting Code **E000.01.511.600.43.00**  
 Statement Date: **7/27/2016**



1. Verify GL Account Code
2. Check box for items without Sales Tax
3. Attach receipts in PCard Transaction Log order
4. Cardholder Signs PCard Transaction Log
5. Forward to Dept. Head for Approval

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<b>1</b>	<b>INCOME</b>	<b>List each employer, or other source of income (pension, social security, legal judgment, etc.) from which you or a family member, including registered domestic partner, received \$2,400 or more during the period. Include stock options received during the reporting period that had a value of \$2,400 or more. (Report interest and dividends in Item 3 on reverse)</b>		
Show Self (S) Spouse (SP/DP) Dependent (D)	Name and Address of Employer or Source of Compensation	Occupation or How Compensation Was Earned	Amount: (Use Code)	
	Garvey Schubert Barer 1191 2nd Avenue, 18th Floor SEATTLE 98 WA	Paralegal		
S	City of Tukwila 6300 Southcenter Boulevard TUKWILA WA 98188	City Council Member	A	
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<b>2</b>	<b>REAL ESTATE</b>	<b>List street address, assessor's parcel number, or legal description AND county for each parcel of Washington real estate with value of over \$12,000 in which you or a family member, including registered domestic partner, held a personal financial interest during the reporting period. (Show partnership, company, etc. real estate on F-1 supplement.)</b>			
Property Sold or Interest Divested	Assessed Value (Use Code)	Name and Address of Purchaser		Nature and Amount (Use Code) of Payment or Consideration Received	
Property Purchased or Interest Acquired		Creditor's Name/Address	Payment Terms	Security Given	Mortgage Amount - (Use Code) Original   Current
All Other Property Entirely or Partially Owned					
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**3 ASSETS / INVESTMENTS - INTEREST / DIVIDENDS** List bank and savings accounts, insurance policies, stock, bonds and other intangible property (including but not limited to stock options) held during the reporting period.

<p>A. Name and address of each bank or financial institution in which you or a family member, including registered domestic partner, had an account over \$24,000 any time during the report period.</p> <p>Seattle WA 98101</p> <p>B. Name and address of each insurance company where you or a family member, including registered domestic partner had a policy with a cash or loan value over \$24,000 during the period.</p> <p>C. Name and address of each company, association, government agency, etc. in which you or a family member, including registered domestic partner, owned or had a financial interest worth over \$2,400. Include stocks, bonds, ownership, retirement plan, IRA, notes, stock options, and other intangible property. If you, your spouse, registered domestic partner and/or dependents had decision making authority regarding individual assets/investments list each asset or investment, the value and any income amount. EXAMPLE: If you self directed an investment account, identify each stock or other asset in that account.</p> <p>Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if continued on attached sheet.</p>	<p>Type of Account or Description of Asset</p> <p>401 (k)</p>	<p>Asset Value (Use Code)</p> <p>E</p>	<p>Income Amount (Use Code)</p> <p>0</p>
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**4 CREDITORS** List each creditor you or a family member, including registered domestic partner, owed \$2,400 or more any time during the period. Don't include retail charge accounts, credit cards, or mortgages or real estate reported in Item 2. **AMOUNT (USE CODE)**

Creditor's Name and Address	Terms of Payment	Security Given	Original	Present
<p>Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if continued on attached sheet.</p>				

**5 All filers answer questions A thru D below. If the answer is YES to any of these questions, the F-1 Supplement must also be completed as part of this report. If all answers are NO and you are a candidate for state or local office, an appointee to a vacant elective office, or a state executive officer filing your initial report, no F-1 Supplement is required.**

**Incumbent elected officials and state executive officers filing an annual financial affairs report also must answer question E. An F-1 Supplement is required of these officeholders unless all answers to questions A thru E are NO.**

- A. At any time during the reporting period were you, your spouse, registered domestic partner or dependents (1) an officer, director, general partner or trustee of any corporation, company, union, association, joint venture or other entity or (2) a partner or member of any limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company or similar entity including but not limited to a professional limited liability company? \_\_\_ If yes, complete Supplement, Part A.
- B. Did you, your spouse, registered domestic partner or dependents have an ownership of 10% or more in any company, corporation, partnership, joint venture or other business at any time during the reporting period? \_\_\_ If yes, complete Supplement, Part A.
- C. Did you, your spouse, registered domestic partner or dependents own a business at any time during the reporting period? \_\_\_ If yes, complete Supplement, Part A.
- D. Did you, your spouse, registered domestic partner or dependents prepare, promote or oppose state legislation, rules, rates or standards for current or deferred compensation (other than pay for a currently-held public office) at any time during the reporting period? \_\_\_ If yes, complete Supplement, Part B.
- E. **Only for Persons Filing Annual Report.** Regarding the receipt of items not provided or paid for by your governmental agency during the previous calendar year: 1) Did you, your spouse, registered domestic partner or dependents (or any combination thereof) accept a gift of food or beverages costing over \$50 per occasion? \_\_\_ or 2) Did any source other than your governmental agency provide or pay in whole or in part for you, your spouse, registered domestic partner and/or dependents to travel or to attend a seminar or other training? \_\_\_ If yes to either or both questions, complete Supplement, Part C.

**ALL FILERS EXCEPT CANDIDATES.** Check the appropriate box.

I hold a state elected office, am an executive state officer or professional staff. I have read and am familiar with RCW 42.52.180 regarding the use of public resources in campaigns.

I hold a local elected office. I have read and am familiar with RCW 42.17A.555 regarding the use of public facilities in campaigns.

\*CANDIDATES: Do not use public agency addresses or telephone numbers for contact information.

**CERTIFICATION:** I certify under penalty of perjury that the information contained in this report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Verna Irene Seal 04-24-2018  
Signature Date

Contact Telephone: 206-293-3274 \*

Email: vernaseal@gmail.com (work)\*

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) Optional



# General Ledger Expenditure Detail

Report Year 2017  
Report Period 1 through 12

PER	VEN #	VENDOR	TT	DS	INVOICE #	CHECKNO	PURCHASE DESCRIPTION	PROJECT	AMOUNT
<b>000.01.511.600.43.00 TRAVEL</b>									
6	013656	HILTON HOTELS	IN	ap	06177173171733514709	170600	Seal NLC Summer Policy Meeting		196.89
6	013656	HILTON HOTELS	IN	ap	06177173171733517686	170600	Kruller NLC Summer Policy Trip		393.78
6	018153	COV PARKING PAYST 491300	IN	ap	06177173207989703319	170600	Humphrey AWC		8.75
6	014307	COMFORT INN AND SUITES	IN	ap	06177173254106012874	170600	Duffie AWC		245.76
6	014307	COMFORT INN AND SUITES	IN	ap	06177173254106012882	170600	Humphrey AWC		245.76
6	018156	PACIFIC HOUSE	IN	ap	06177174030013409023	170600	Humphrey AWC		16.01
6	018161	WINDY CITY TAP ROOM	IN	ap	06177174100877674810	170600	Kruller NLC Summer Policy Trip		14.89
6	013656	HILTON HOTELS	IN	ap	06177174171743267081	170600	AWC CONFERENCE - HOUGARDY		4.57
6	013016	BLACK ANGUS	IN	ap	06177175100496407922	170600	Duffie AWC		45.15
6	013016	BLACK ANGUS	IN	ap	06177175100496408193	170600	AWC CONFERENCE - HOUGARDY		40.44
6	002465	STARBUCKS	IN	ap	06177175100698096911	170600	AWC CONFERENCE - HOUGARDY		11.45
6	013656	HILTON HOTELS	IN	ap	06177175171759341084	170600	AWC CONFERENCE - HOUGARDY		12.38
6	018153	COV PARKING PAYST 491300	IN	ap	06177175207989102296	170600	AWC		3.00
6	014307	COMFORT INN AND SUITES	IN	ap	06177175254108014314	170600	COMFORT INNS		54.00
6	014307	COMFORT INN AND SUITES	IN	ap	06177175254108015001	170600	COMFORT INNS		(54.00)
6	013656	HILTON HOTELS	IN	ap	06177175261751023812	170600	AWC CONFERENCE - HOUGARDY		560.00
6	014161	DAIRY QUEEN	IN	ap	06177175286988800164	170600	Duffie AWC		4.74
6	018133	SHELL OIL 10013098008	IN	ap	06177175548263032597	170600	Duffie AWC		25.00
6	018157	PAMBICHE	IN	ap	06177175641751101118	170600	Humphrey AWC		10.80
6	013305	EXPEDIA	IN	ap	06177177100775611895	170600	LOCAL PROGRESS		2.25
7	017907	ALASKA AIR 0277956561643	IN	ap	07177178331900583702	170700	Seal Local Progress		123.21
7	012910	DELTA AIR 0062340261829	IN	ap	07177178871784361499	170700	Seal Local Progress		147.20
7	012632	PAYPAL	IN	ap	07177179894758091353	170700	Hougary SCA Dinner		45.00
7	013350	AMERICAN AI 0010284810324	IN	ap	07177181978000750618	170700	McLeod NLC DC		426.90
7	013350	AMERICAN AI 0010284810324	IN	ap	07177188978001019586	170700	Kruller NLC		426.90
7	012632	PAYPAL	IN	ap	07177193894188987040	170700	Kruller SCA Dinner		45.00
7	013350	AMERICAN AI 0010284810324	IN	ap	07177193978001061151	170700	Duffie NLC		426.90
7	001347	SWKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	IN	ap	07177194017023727308	170700	Duffie Hougary Chamber Lunch		50.00
7	012632	PAYPAL	IN	ap	07177199894383977857	170700	Humphrey SCA Dinner		55.00
7	012624	GOAT HILL/CENTER GARAGE	IN	ap	07177201003164599056	170700	Hougary RTC Meeting		6.00
7	000522	CITY OF RENTON	IN	ap	07177201162012183439	170700	SCA Dinner		2.00
7	018230	CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH	IN	ap	07177202003372113550	170700	CHARITABLE/SOCIAL SERVICE		1,500.00
7	017478	IMP*CALLTOPARK	IN	ap	07177203300309426168	170700	Mistake - to reimburse		12.56
7	018230	CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH	IN	ap	07177205003890081406	170700	CHARITABLE/SOCIAL SERVICE		(1,500.00)
7	001347	SWKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	IN	ap	07177206017022432286	170700	Kruller Chamber Mixer		10.00
8	001347	SWKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	IN	ap	08177208017023169257	170800	Chamber Candidate Night		15.00
8	014662	SQUARE UP	IN	ap	08177209740263250816	170800	TAXICABS AND LIMOUSINES		31.08
8	012910	DELTA AIR 0062340261829	IN	ap	08177210872101910406	170800	DELTA		10.99
8	013598	EUREST/THOMPSON DINING	IN	ap	08177211944240069637	170800	OTHER HOTELS		228.86
8	013598	EUREST/THOMPSON DINING	IN	ap	08177212937480100509	170800	EATING PLACES AND RESTAURANTS		42.92
8	002650	CITY OF TUKWILA	IN	ap	8071701	375475	TRAVEL - COUNCIL		36.76
8			GJ	cr	CR082417		MISC - Miscellaneous		(12.56)
9	012632	PAYPAL	IN	ap	09177241894706769997	170900	SCA Dinner		90.00
9			GJ	cr	CR091117		MISC - Miscellaneous		(200.00)
10	001347	SWKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	IN	ap	10177284017028867217	1710000	Hougary Chamber Event		35.00
10	001347	SWKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	IN	ap	10177290017029036087	1710000	McLeod Chamber Event		25.00
10	017907	ALASKA AIR 0277956561643	IN	ap	10177296824509499376	1710000	Quinn		513.41
11	012632	PAYPAL	IN	ap	11177300894683848267	171100	SCA Dinner		45.00

# Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now

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The **Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now** (**ACORN**) is an international collection of autonomous community-based organizations that advocated for low- and moderate-income families by working on neighborhood safety, voter registration, health care, affordable housing, and other social issues. They, along with a number of other community unions, are affiliated under ACORN International.<sup>[1]</sup>

## Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now



<b>Abbreviation</b>	ACORN
<b>Formation</b>	1970
<b>Type</b>	Non-governmental organization
<b>Legal status</b>	Active; defunct (US)
<b>Region served</b>	United States · Peru · Argentina · Mexico · India · Canada · United Kingdom

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## Organization

In the US, ACORN was composed of a number of legally distinct nonprofit entities and affiliates including a nationwide umbrella organization established as a 501(c)(4) that performed lobbying; local chapters established as 501(c)(3) nonpartisan charities; and the national nonprofit and nonstock organization, ACORN Housing Corporation. ACORN's priorities included: better housing and wages for the poor, more community development investment from banks and governments, better public schools, labor-oriented causes and social justice issues. ACORN pursued these goals through demonstration, negotiation, lobbying for legislation, and voter participation.<sup>[2]</sup>

Unlike in the US, ACORN groups in other countries have little organisational funding.<sup>[1]</sup> Under the ACORN model, most members are volunteers. Employed union organisers come from those working in local ACORN campaigns rather than from existing organisations and are paid a low wage.<sup>[1]</sup> The union works on local and national level campaigns.<sup>[1]</sup>

## History

Founded in 1970 by Wade Rathke and Gary Delgado,<sup>[3]</sup> at its peak ACORN had over 500,000 members and more than 1,200 neighborhood chapters in over 100 cities across the U.S.<sup>[4][5]</sup> as well as groups in other countries. In 2004, ACORN International was created to aid the spread of ACORN's model to other countries.<sup>[1]</sup> For example, there has been or currently is an ACORN presence in Argentina, Canada, Mexico, Peru<sup>[6]</sup> and the UK,<sup>[7]</sup> with affiliate groups in Scotland<sup>[8]</sup> and France.<sup>[9]</sup>

In the US, ACORN suffered a damaging nationwide controversy in the fall of 2009 after James O'Keefe and Hannah Giles secretly made, edited and released videos of interactions with low-level ACORN personnel in several of their offices, leading to several investigations by state officials that concluded the videos were inaccurately portraying the personnel as encouraging criminal behavior.<sup>[10][11][12][13][14][15][16][17]</sup> The organization didn't recover in the US and dissolved,<sup>[18][19][20][21][22]</sup> with ACORN members and organizers forming new organizations.<sup>[23][24][18]</sup> ACORN groups outside of the US continued unaffected. ACORN, under ACORN International, still works within the US through its Home Savers Campaign, for example.<sup>[25]</sup>

## Issues and actions

### Predatory lending and affordable housing

ACORN investigated complaints against companies accused of predatory lending practices. ACORN also worked to support strict state laws against predatory practices, organized against foreclosure rescue scams, and steered borrowers toward loan counseling.<sup>[26]</sup> Following a three-year campaign, Household International (now owned by HSBC Holdings and renamed HSBC Finance Corporation), one of the largest subprime lenders in the country, and ACORN announced on November 25, 2003 a proposed settlement of a 2002 national class-action lawsuit brought by ACORN. The settlement created a \$72 million foreclosure avoidance program to provide relief to household borrowers who were at risk of losing their homes.<sup>[26]</sup> The settlement came on the heels of an earlier \$484 million settlement between Household, Attorneys General, and bank regulators from all 50 U.S. states.<sup>[27]</sup>

### Education

ACORN opposed the privatization of some NYC schools, favoring its own Charter School plan.<sup>[28]</sup>

### Voter registration

Since the 1980s, ACORN conducted large-scale voter registration drives,<sup>[29]</sup> focusing primarily on registering poor and minority citizens.<sup>[30][31]</sup>

In addition to conducting voter registration drives, ACORN worked to remove obstacles to voter registration. In 2006, it brought a lawsuit in federal court in Ohio against the Ohio Secretary of State, at that time Ken Blackwell, and the Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, alleging that, during the period that included the 2004 United States election voting controversies, the defendants had committed multiple violations of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993. The district court dismissed the case, but that decision was reversed in 2008 by the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.<sup>[32]</sup> The parties agreed to a settlement, under which the defendants agreed to implement several measures to facilitate registration of low-income voters to bring the state into compliance with the National Voting Rights Act.<sup>[33][34][35]</sup>

### Gun control

In 2006, ACORN intervened on behalf of Jersey City, New Jersey, in a lawsuit brought against the city challenging a local ordinance that limited individuals' handgun purchases to one gun a month.<sup>[36]</sup> The Hudson County Superior Court struck down the ordinance on the grounds that it violated the New Jersey Constitution's Equal Protection clause, and a state statute prohibiting towns and municipalities from enacting firearms legislation.<sup>[36]</sup> On September 29, 2008, the New Jersey Superior Court Appellate Division denied ACORN's appeal of the Hudson County Superior Court's decision striking down Jersey City's ordinance.<sup>[37]</sup>

## Home Defender Program

In 2009, ACORN advocated allowing homeowners delinquent in their mortgage payments to remain in their homes pending a government solution to the housing foreclosure crisis. ACORN introduced a program called the Home Defender Program, intended to mobilize people to congregate at homes faced with foreclosure to "defend a family's right to stay in their homes."<sup>[38][39]</sup>

## Legal issues

During the 2008 election season, ACORN gathered over 1.3 million voter registration forms in 21 states. Project Vote estimated that 400,000 registrations collected by ACORN were ultimately rejected, the vast majority for being duplicate registrations submitted by citizens. Project Vote estimated that only a few percent of registrations were fraudulent, based on past years and samples from some drives in 2008.<sup>[40]</sup> Project Vote estimated that 450,000 of the registrations collected by ACORN represented first-time voters, while the remainder were address changes submitted by citizens updating their addresses.<sup>[40]</sup>

ACORN has fired employees for fraudulent registration practices and turned them over to authorities.<sup>[41][42][43][44][45][46]</sup> Of 26,513 registrations submitted by ACORN over a nine-month period in San Diego County, California, 4,655 were initially flagged, but 2,806 of those were later validated. County officials said this resulted in a 7% error rate by ACORN, compared to usually less than 5% for voter drives by other organizations.<sup>[47]</sup>

In a 2007 case in Washington state, in which seven temporary employees of ACORN were charged with submitting fraudulent voter registrations, ACORN agreed to pay King County \$25,000 for its investigative costs and acknowledged that the national organization could be subject to criminal prosecution if fraud occurred.<sup>[42][48][49][50][51]</sup> In May 2009, six ACORN employees in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, pleaded guilty to charges of a combined total of 51 counts of forgery and other violations while registering voters during the 2008 election cycle.<sup>[52]</sup>

In plea deals in a 2009 Las Vegas case, former ACORN field director Amy Busefink and ACORN official Christopher Edwards pleaded guilty to "conspiracy to commit the crime of compensation for registration of voters," in connection with a quota system for paid registration staff.<sup>[53]</sup> Edwards was sentenced to a year's probation and agreed to testify for prosecutors in charges against ACORN and against Busefink. Busefink appealed her case to the Nevada Supreme Court, challenging the constitutionality of the statute.<sup>[54][55]</sup> In April 2011, ACORN entered a guilty plea to one count of felony compensation for registration of voters, for which they were fined \$5000,<sup>[56]</sup> but did not concede that the law was constitutional.<sup>[55]</sup>

## ACORN International

ACORN International was created in 2004 as an offshoot of ACORN to aid the spread of ACORN's model to other countries,<sup>[1]</sup> including Argentina, Canada, Mexico, and Peru.<sup>[6]</sup> The first ACORN branch in the UK opened in Bristol in 2014 by three people, two of whom were graduates of the Community Organisers programme.<sup>[7]</sup>

Other groups are affiliated with ACORN: for example, Living Rent in Scotland<sup>[8]</sup> and Alliance Citoyenne in France.<sup>[9]</sup>

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- ◆ Legislative Oversight: Study information and attend meetings to provide policy direction for City services.
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**Expenditure Summary**

<b>City Council</b>								
Expenditures By Type	Actual			Budget			Percent Change	
	2018	2019	Projected 2020	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Salaries & Wages	\$ 205,968	\$ 210,885	\$ 206,280	\$ 212,760	\$ 213,562	\$ 215,715	0.38%	1.01%
Personnel Benefits	90,505	95,228	103,592	100,512	105,056	109,816	4.52%	4.53%
Supplies	1,863	2,629	1,353	3,500	2,000	2,000	-42.86%	0.00%
Services	75,784	73,161	25,400	123,000	43,000	43,000	-65.04%	0.00%
<b>Department Total</b>	<b>\$ 374,120</b>	<b>\$ 381,903</b>	<b>\$ 336,625</b>	<b>\$ 439,772</b>	<b>\$ 363,618</b>	<b>\$ 370,531</b>	<b>-17.32%</b>	<b>1.90%</b>

**Salary and Benefit Details**

<b>City Council</b>							
Position Description	2020	2021	2021 Budgeted		2022	2022 Budgeted	
	FTE	FTE	Salaries	Benefits	FTE	Salaries	Benefits
Councilmembers	7	7	\$ 105,000	\$ 58,281	7	\$ 105,000	\$ 62,099
Legislative Analyst	1	1	108,562	46,775	1	110,715	47,717
<b>Department Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>\$ 213,562</b>	<b>\$ 105,056</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>\$ 215,715</b>	<b>\$ 109,816</b>

# Center for Popular Democracy

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The **Center for Popular Democracy (CPD)** is an American advocacy group that promotes progressive politics.<sup>[3][4][5]</sup> CPD is a federation of groups that includes some of the old chapters of ACORN.<sup>[6]</sup> The group's stated goal is to "envision and win an innovative pro-worker, pro-immigrant, racial and economic justice agenda."<sup>[7]</sup> The organization is allied with teachers' unions and has published studies criticizing charter schools.<sup>[8][9]</sup>

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## Campaigns and actions

The organization gained national prominence during the protests over Brett Kavanaugh's nomination to the United States Supreme Court. One of the organization's co-executive directors, Ana Maria Archila, confronted U.S. Senator Jeff Flake over his support for the judge<sup>[10][11]</sup> and other activists had questions for U.S. Senator Rand Paul.<sup>[12]</sup>

### Private prisons

CPD has run a years-long campaign against private prisons, and prison companies have warned investors that activist groups are a threat to their future profitability.<sup>[13]</sup> This notice to investors came after lenders like JP Morgan Chase bowed to pressure from CPD and other groups and agreed to stop doing business with prison companies.<sup>[14]</sup>

### Local Progress

Local Progress is a project of CPD, and works to organize grassroots groups on the outside and progressive politicians on the inside to advance an inside/outside strategy for change. It was founded in 2012 to connect progressive leaders in different cities so they can learn from each other's experiences, share policy ideas and model legislation.<sup>[15]</sup> It also regularly brings local officials together so they can learn from each other in person and share ideas.<sup>[16][17]</sup> Local Progress board members include Brad Lander, Helen Gym, Gregorio Casar, Phillipe Cunningham, Tefere Gebre, Lorena González, and other local officials and national progressive leaders.<sup>[18]</sup>

## Funding

### Center for Popular Democracy

<b>Abbreviation</b>	CPD
<b>Formation</b>	2012
<b>Founded at</b>	New York City, United States
<b>Type</b>	Nonprofit
<b>Purpose</b>	Progressive political advocacy <sup>[1]</sup>
<b>Headquarters</b>	Brooklyn, New York
<b>Co-Executive Directors</b>	Andrew Friedman Ana Maria Archila Brian Kettenring
<b>Revenue (2013)</b>	\$3,046,684 <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Expenses (2013)</b>	\$2,869,329 <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Website</b>	populardemocracy.org (https://populardemocracy.org/) 

CPD has received funding from the Bauman Foundation, the Ford Foundation, the Democracy Alliance,<sup>[6]</sup> and the Open Society Foundations.<sup>[19][20][21][22]</sup>

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**Time on the Council:** Since 2006

**Occupation:** Immigration Paralegal at law firm Garvey Schubert Barer, Seattle.

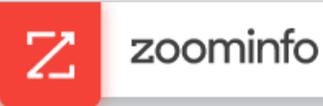
**Interests:** My community, the environment, children and families, travel, hiking and attempting to drive through all 50 states.

**Affiliations/Associations:** City Council President 2018, 2012, and 2007; Tukwila Metropolitan Park District President 2012 and 2013; President, Tukwila Children's Foundation; National League of Cities Council on Youth, Education and Families; Sound Cities Association representative to King County Disability Board LEOFF 1.

**Family:** Verna and her family have lived in Tukwila for 20 years.

**Personal Phone:** 206-492-4819

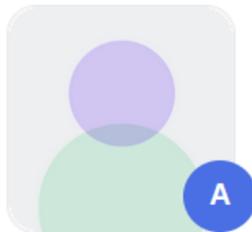
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## Verna Seal

Senior Paralegal at Perkins Coie

Verna Seal is a Senior Paralegal at Perkins Coie based in Seattle, Washington. Previously, Verna was a Paralegal at Foster Garvey and also held positions at Hospitality Law. ... [Read More](#)

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INVOICE

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Center for Popular Democracy

Date	Text	Charges	Credits
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07/27/17	City Occupancy Tax Seal Verna #6071=>Seal Verna #6071	8.96	
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V. Slack



**Local Progress 2017: Resistance and Progress**  
AT&T Conference Center  
1900 University Ave  
Austin, TX 78705

**Pre-Conference Activities - Thursday, July 27**

9:00 to 4:30	Training with Wellstone Action: Governing as a Progressive	Off-site
9:00 to 4:30	School Board: Full day of programming for School Board Members	Off-site
12:00 to 5:00	Meeting of the Local Progress Board of Directors	
6:00 to 7:30	Women's Caucus Gathering (open to all women Local Progress members)	

**Friday, July 28**

8:00 to 9:00	Breakfast and Registration	Ballroom
9:00 to 10:00	Welcome & Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Steve Adler, Austin, TX</li> </ul>	Ballroom
10:00 to 11:00	Opening Plenary: Lessons from the Resistance	Ballroom
11:00 to 1:00	Fight for Our Cities	Austin
1:30 to 3:00	Lunch and Training: Crafting and Delivering a Progressive Economic Message	Ballroom
3:30 to 5:00	Policy Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beyond Sanctuary: Policies to Protect and Defend Immigrant Communities</li> <li>• Innovative and Equitable Economic Development</li> <li>• Joining the Global &amp; National Fights for Our Climate</li> <li>• Next Generation Workers Rights: Building "Good Jobs Cities"</li> <li>• Revenue Strategies for Progressive Priorities</li> </ul>	
5:00 to 5:30	Debrief with Your Homebase Group	Tejas
6:30 to 7:30	Drinks and Heavy Appetizers: Celebrating Five Years of Local Progress	Tejas

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**TUKWILA CITY COUNCIL  
OPERATING POLICY**

Number: CC-POL-06

Page 1 of 2

**TITLE: COUNCILMEMBER TRAVEL**

**PURPOSE:**

Councilmembers are encouraged to be actively involved in city, county, state, regional and national organizations that affect Tukwila, its residents, and its businesses. Education, lobbying, professional responsibilities, (e.g. policy boards, offices, and committees), public relations, and relationship-building with other agencies are examples of activities for which travel funds can be used. While the entire Council approves the travel budget, it is up to individual Councilmembers to decide how best to use their own travel allotment.

**REFERENCES:**

N/A

**STATEMENT OF POLICY AND/OR PROCEDURES:**

**I. Travel Budgets**

- A. Budgets for Council travel will be set during the biennial budget process and adjusted during the second year, if necessary.
- B. Review of the preceding year's travel may serve as a guide in allocating travel for the following year.
- C. The Council will consider the City's financial situation in setting its annual travel budget.

**II. Travel Decisions**

- A. Beginning each year, after funds for local meetings, the Council retreat, and meals are subtracted, each Councilmember will be allotted an equal share of the remaining Council travel budget for use during the remainder of the year. That amount shall be communicated to all Councilmembers as soon as available.
- B. Any Councilmember's travel funds which are not planned to be used in that year may be returned to the shared travel fund for use by other Councilmembers.
- C. Upon returning from a class or conference, Councilmembers will prepare an oral or written report for the Council. If more than one Councilmember attends, a consolidated report may be presented.
- D. Sister City related travel is not budgeted separately and will be funded from the individual Councilmember's travel allocation.
- E. The entire Council, by majority, will make the final decision on use of funds if issues arise.

**III. Travel Expenses**

- A. The City will pay for airfare, ground transportation, registration, hotel, and meals when a Councilmember is on official travel.
- B. The City will not assume costs for a spouse, partner or guest.
- C. A daily record of expenses for lodging, meals, transportation, and incidental expenses should be maintained, with receipts attached to the record. An itemized bill should be kept for meals. The record and receipts will be submitted to the Finance Department and processed in accordance with current procedures.

**IV. Travel Arrangements**

- A. City Council travel will be coordinated through the Council Analyst, who will monitor the travel budget as well as make travel arrangements if desired by the Councilmember.
- B. Intention for out-of-state travel should be communicated to the Council President.
- C. Significant effort will be made to secure the best value for airfare and lodgings.

**V. Miscellaneous**

- A. When a City vehicle is available, it may be reserved by Councilmembers for appropriate business-related travel.
- B. If a Councilmember uses his or her personal vehicle for City-related travel, mileage will be reimbursed according to IRS rules.

END

Title: **COUNCILMEMBER TRAVEL**

Effective Date:  
December 3, 2013

Supersedes:  
N/A

Approved by the City Council on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day  
of December, 2013

City Attorney:



Council President:

*Kathy Hougardley*

Laurel Humphrey

Tue, 24 May 2016 23:59:17 +0000

To: Verna Seal

FW: Local Progress 2016 convening Confirmation & Financial Aid Information

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Tomorrow is the last day to complete the financial aid survey—just making sure you have completed it or let me know if I can do it for you—I took care of De'Sean's.

**From:** laurel [mailto:laurelh@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, May 20, 2016 12:54 PM

**To:** Laurel Humphrey

**Subject:** Fwd: Local Progress 2016 convening Confirmation & Financial Aid Information

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From: **De'Sean Quinn** <[deseanquinn@gmail.com](mailto:deseanquinn@gmail.com)>

Date: Fri, May 20, 2016 at 12:27 PM

Subject: Fwd: Local Progress 2016 convening Confirmation & Financial Aid Information

To: Laurel <[laurelh@gmail.com](mailto:laurelh@gmail.com)>, Verna Seal <[vernaiseal@gmail.com](mailto:vernaiseal@gmail.com)>

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From: "Tarsi Dunlop" <[tdunlop@populardemocracy.org](mailto:tdunlop@populardemocracy.org)>

Date: May 20, 2016 12:13 PM

Subject: Local Progress 2016 convening Confirmation & Financial Aid Information

To: "Tarsi Dunlop" <[tdunlop@populardemocracy.org](mailto:tdunlop@populardemocracy.org)>

Cc:

Thank you for registering for the Fifth Annual Local Progress National Convening on July 7-9<sup>th</sup> in Pittsburgh, PA. This email contains all of the logistical information you will need to plan your trip, including details about financial assistance.

**PLEASE NOTE: This email is confirmation that you have been granted Local Progress's standard financial aid package (details below). All recipients of financial aid must complete [this survey](#) by May 25<sup>th</sup>.**

**Timing & Schedule:** The main conference will begin at 8am on Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and end at 6pm on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be optional social activities on Saturday evening as well as an interdenominational social justice themed service on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Location and hotel:**

Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh  
1000 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

P: [\(412\) 281-3700](tel:(412)281-3700)

**Meals:** Breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday will be provided at no cost to participants.

**Registration Fee:** There is no registration fee for registrants.

**Financial Aid:** You requested and been granted our standard financial aid package. Our standard financial aid package covers:

- Hotel room at double occupancy for the duration of the conference. Members can indicate their desired roommate or request Local Progress staff to assign them a roommate. Members who would like to upgrade to a single room can pay the difference of approximately \$75/night or can have this amount deducted from their eligible travel reimbursement.
- Automatically eligibility to submit a request for travel reimbursement at or below the amount listed based on geography. Members will only be reimbursed for travel expenses accrued relating to attendance at the convening and will be required to submit receipts in order to receive reimbursements.

Region	Travel Aid
Local (Western PA, Western NY, Eastern OH)	\$0
Northeast/Mid Atlantic (ME, VT, NH, MA, RI, CT, Eastern PA, NY, NJ, DE, MD, DC)	\$150
Midwest (Western OH, IL, IN, MI, MN, WI, MO, KS, IA)	\$175
South (WV, VA, NC, SC, GA, FL, AL, MS, LA, AR, TN, KY, TX, OK)	\$175
Mountain West/SW (CO, NM, NV, AZ, UT, WY, MT, ID, SD, ND, NE)	\$250
West Coast (OR, WA, CA)	\$250
Alaska and Hawaii	\$400

- In addition to the standard financial aid package, members may apply for discretionary aid to supplement the standard financial aid package. Discretionary aid will be awarded following the financial aid deadline on May 15th. Factors that will be considered in granting discretionary aid will be 1) whether the attendee is a first time attendee, 2) whether the attendee is unable to find an affordable flight, 3) whether the attendee has paid their own expenses themselves for other Local Progress events previously or 4) whether the attendee is an invited speaker or on the planning committee. Members who wish to apply for supplemental aid recipient can do so at the financial aid survey linked below.

All recipients of financial aid must fill out [this survey](#) by May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you & See you in Pittsburgh!

Tarsi

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Tarsi Dunlop

Local Progress Program and Membership Associate  
Center for Popular Democracy  
+ CPD Action  
1875 Connecticut Ave NW FL 10 | Washington, DC 20009

M: [413.822.1051](tel:413.822.1051)

[populardemocracy.org](http://populardemocracy.org) | [cpdaction.org](http://cpdaction.org)

Verna Seal

Wed, 19 Apr 2017 15:14:10 +0000

To: Laurel Humphrey

Fw: Local Progress 2017 Financial Aid & Hotel Information

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I'm keeping you in the loop because I'd like to have a single room which means I'll be paying extra. Did we do an W-9 last year? I haven't filled anything out yet. I'll probably fly in on July 27 and then home on Sunday.

Verna Seal

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**From:** Verna Seal <vernaiseal@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 19, 2017 7:51 AM

**To:** Verna Seal

**Subject:** Fwd: Local Progress 2017 Financial Aid & Hotel Information

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Tarsi Dunlop** <[tdunlop@populardemocracy.org](mailto:tdunlop@populardemocracy.org)>

Date: Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:49 AM

Subject: Local Progress 2017 Financial Aid & Hotel Information

To: Tarsi Dunlop <[tdunlop@populardemocracy.org](mailto:tdunlop@populardemocracy.org)>

Cc: Sarah Johnson <[sjohnson@populardemocracy.org](mailto:sjohnson@populardemocracy.org)>, Daniella Adams <[dadams@populardemocracy.org](mailto:dadams@populardemocracy.org)>

Hello Local Progress Members,

We're so excited to welcome you to Austin, TX this summer. If you are receiving this email, then you've requested financial assistance and been granted our standard aid package.

**Room booking:** We have a room block at the AT&T Executive Education and Conference at the University of Texas at Austin (1900 University Ave, Austin, TX 78705) where the convening will be held. The rate is 199.99 + taxes and fees per night. Local Progress will reserve your hotel room as part of our room block. **Please [fill out this hotel form](#) and return a signed W9 by May 15th, 2017.**

**Standard Aid:**

Hotel:

- We will cover up to 3 nights hotel @ double occupancy (4 nights if you are coming in for school board convening, the board meeting or the Wellstone Action training).
- If you would like to upgrade to a single, you can do so and pay the difference of approximately \$100/night.

Travel:

- We will reimburse \$200 for flights or mileage costs. Please fill out and return [a W9](#) and forward any airline receipts to [tdunlop@populardemocracy.org](mailto:tdunlop@populardemocracy.org).

**Discretionary Aid:** We understand that flight costs will range significantly for Local Progress members in different jurisdictions, and also that Local Progress members have different levels of ability to have travel expenses covered by their offices. It is our goal to be able to have a financial aid package that accommodates for these differences. Members who need additional aid can apply for it, specifying the amount of additional travel aid they want when they fill out [this form](#).

Please [contact us](#) if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing you in Austin.

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Laurel Humphrey

Thu, 31 Aug 2017 16:43:36 +0000

To: Verna Seal

RE: Finding the charge on the Delta website

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I was wondering where that check was! I asked Tarsi to send it here with my name on it. Glad you have it. Looks like I do not have the hotel receipt yet. I just tried looking up the Delta receipt in every combination of tricks I know, but I think the window of time has passed to retrieve it unless you have a "MyDelta" account. I can email customer service and call it good—it doesn't make sense for you or I to spend too much time tracking down a small charge.

Thanks, L

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**From:** Verna Seal

**Sent:** Thursday, August 31, 2017 8:02 AM

**To:** Laurel Humphrey <Laurel.Humphrey@TukwilaWA.gov>

**Subject:** Finding the charge on the Delta website

Hi there,

I'm putting together my US bank card thing. I have a \$10.99 charge on Delta for my meal on the way to Austin. They didn't give me a receipt. How do I go about finding that on the Delta website? Also, did I give you or did you get a receipt from the hotel? I also have a check from Local Progress to give you.

Sorry this took so long.

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Verna Seal

Mon, 26 Jun 2017 13:50:37 +0000

To: Laurel Humphrey

Re: Local Progress

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I found a flight for \$272 and they are giving me \$200 towards it so I think it's a screaming deal. I leave on Thursday at 5 and come home Saturday night. I only have to miss one day of work. &#-10179;&#-8694; I think I'm going do to it!

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 5:29 PM

**To:** Verna Seal

**Subject:** Re: Local Progress

I think you should do it if you want! Perhaps do this and not fall NLC?

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**From:** Verna Seal

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 10:16:40 AM

**To:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Subject:** Local Progress

I think I've changed my mind ... I really need to be there. I found a flight flying out late Thursday and coming home on Saturday for \$272. They are giving me \$200 toward my flight so I think I'm going to do it ... your thoughts?

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ticketreceipt

Thu, 7 Sep 2017 14:07:51 +0000

To: Laurel Humphrey

RE: (OBF) Seal - Food receipt

Ms. Humphrey,

Below is the requested receipt.

We certainly appreciate your business.

Thank you,

**Marilyn Carley**

Ticket Records

Delta Air Lines, Inc.

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**MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENT - FULL DISPLAY**

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EXP DATE 28JUL18

PASSENGER/ONBOARD US 28JUL17

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ISSUED FOR OBF - ONBOARD FOOD SALES

FEES/CHARGES

OBF USD 10.99

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey [mailto:Laurel.Humphrey@TukwilaWA.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 31, 2017 12:49 PM

**To:** ticketreceipt <ticketreceipt@delta.com>

**Subject:** Food receipt

Hello, is it possible to get an inflight meal receipt?

Name: Verna Seal

Ticket: 0068683911722

Date: July 27

Last four digits of card: 4043

Amount: 10.99

Thanks. If not, I understand but I need to show our finance dept that I asked.

***Laurel Humphrey***

Council Analyst | City of Tukwila

6200 Southcenter Blvd | Tukwila, WA 98188

Phone: 206.433.8993



Verna Seal

Tue, 19 Mar 2013 15:46:52 -0700

To: Kimberly Matej

Re: BNSF Follow-up Meeting

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I think we should keep it to ourselves but I'm just thinking about Kate and Joe. Perhaps Kathy is the one, as CP, that needs to deal with it. I just don't want to be crucified at the dias by the peanut gallery for this one. BUT ... I trust you my friend. Keep me out of hot water. :)

On Tue, Mar 19, 2013 at 3:45 PM, Kimberly Matej <[Kimberly.Matej@tukwilawa.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Matej@tukwilawa.gov)> wrote:

Grrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr. Nothing is sacred.

**From:** Verna Seal [mailto:[vernaiseal@gmail.com](mailto:vernaiseal@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2013 3:44 PM

**To:** Kimberly Matej

**Subject:** Re: BNSF Follow-up Meeting

Also the rest of the council -- just in light of the blowout at the retreat.

On Tue, Mar 19, 2013 at 3:43 PM, Verna Seal <[vernaiseal@gmail.com](mailto:vernaiseal@gmail.com)> wrote:

Are you going to tell Brooke that we are meeting with them? Just thinking outloud.

On Tue, Mar 19, 2013 at 3:41 PM, Kimberly Matej <[Kimberly.Matej@tukwilawa.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Matej@tukwilawa.gov)> wrote:

Hello Everyone...

This will be a follow-up meeting with BNSF representatives from our November meeting in which John Hovland committed to look at north and south ingress/egress options for the intermodal yard.

NEW INFORMATION: We will also be discussing their potential for partnering on a consultant (per an e-mail exchange I had with them yesterday).

I suggest we meet at 10:30 a.m. to discuss information flow, and then our meeting with BNSF will be at 11:00 a.m.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Kimberly



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**CITY OF TUKWILA  
CUSTOMER CHARGE TRANSMITTAL**

DATE: 8-11-17  
 EMPLOYEE'S NAME: Diane Jaber  
 CUSTOMER: Ctr for Popular Democracy  
 CHARGES: Travel Reimb. - Seal

DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
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TOTAL \$ 200.00  
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 Thank you,  
 Laurel  
 (reimbursement  
 for travel)



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 \$200.00

Verna Seal

Mon, 20 Apr 2015 15:18:23 -0700

To: Laurel Humphrey

Cc: Craig Zellerhoff

RE: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

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Thanks! I was able to check in and will just pay for my bag at the airport with my own card if I need to.

The plan is that I will take light rail to the airport from my office downtown and I plan to leave here at about 12:15ish. If the card comes in the morning (would it come in the morning?) then perhaps you can meet me at the Tukwila Light Rail which is where Carl will pick me up and then take me to the airport.

My only concern really is the room being paid for. That's a huge hit to my personal card.

Thanks Laurel!!!

Verna Seal

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 3:16 PM

**To:** Verna Seal

**Cc:** Craig Zellerhoff

**Subject:** RE: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Yes—I did add your and Kathy's names online, but David should be able to give his card for all three. I'll touch base with him on that.

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**From:** Verna Seal

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 3:14 PM

**To:** Laurel Humphrey

**Cc:** Craig Zellerhoff

**Subject:** RE: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Oh boy ... I can use my own card and I'll just keep the receipt. Is there a way to check on the card?

I see that the rooms are all under David's name - does that mean that David will pay for them with his card?

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 3:10 PM  
**To:** Verna Seal  
**Cc:** Craig Zellerhoff  
**Subject:** FW: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Hi Verna,

I confirmed with Craig that your replacement card has not yet arrived. If it arrives tomorrow in time for your 1:55 p.m. flight I WILL BRING IT TO YOU. As far as checking your bag, I can read my card number to you over the phone if you like.

I'm sorry this has happened!

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 2:29 PM  
**To:** Verna Seal  
**Subject:** FW: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Just to be safe, I asked.

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**From:** Craig Zellerhoff  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 2:27 PM  
**To:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Subject:** RE: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Yes, she is the only council member.

Option 1 should work in her case.

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**From:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Sent:** Friday, April 3, 2015 2:26 PM  
**To:** Craig Zellerhoff  
**Subject:** FW: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

Craig, was Verna the only Councilmember affected? She will be leaving for DC on City business on April 21. Option 1 suggests her new card will arrive in time, but I want to confirm. Thank you, Laurel

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**From:** Verna Seal  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 1:50 PM  
**To:** Laurel Humphrey  
**Subject:** FW: PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

So what should we do -- the council that is?

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**From:** Craig Zellerhoff  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 1:29 PM  
**Cc:** Peggy McCarthy; Vicky Carlsen  
**Subject:** PCARD ACTION REQUIRED – Potential Merchant Compromise

**IMPORTANT ALERT**

U.S. Bank has alerted us of a recent merchant security breach that has put your credit card account at risk. Although **U.S. Bank systems have NOT been compromised** in any way, the bank is taking proactive measures and closing your account because it's believed to be at risk. Their number one priority is protecting you and your financial information.

**Please follow the directions below and plan accordingly - your three options are:**

1. **Take NO Action:** Your account will be closed on **4/14** and a new plastic will be reissued with our standard delivery method, via UPS to arrive within 2-3 business days at our corporate location.
2. If you want to close your account **prior** to **4/14**, **YOU MUST CALL** Customer Service (24/7) on the exact day you want your account closed at 1-800-344-5696 by Noon CT on **4/9**.
  - A new plastic will be reissued with our standard delivery method, via UPS to arrive within 2-3 business days at our corporate location.
3. If you want your account **closed ON or after** **4/14** because you will be on travel, communicate the date you want your account closed (your travel return date) to me, your Program Administrator, by **Tuesday, April 7 (4/7)**: Craig Zellerhoff

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We apologize in advance for any inconvenience and we appreciate your understanding and support.

If you have any questions, please ask.

Thank You,  
Craig

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