

## State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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May 19, 2023

Delivered electronically to "compliance@bluewavepolitics.com"

Subject: PDC Case 122478

Dear Community Driven Prosperity PAC:

Enclosed is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the enclosed letter to Glen Morgan, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), this letter serves as a formal warning concerning your failure to amend your committee registration to include the name of the "80 percent sponsor," United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 598 PAC, in your committee's name. Staff expects you to timely update your committee's name in the future when such an update is needed. The Commission will consider this formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at 360-664-8853, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdc@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically Signed Philip E. Stutzman

Phil Stutzman

Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

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Subject: Complaint regarding Community Driven Prosperity PAC, PDC Case 122478

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on March 6, 2023. Your complaint alleged that Community Driven Prosperity PAC may have violated RCW 42.17A.205(5) and WAC 390-17-011A by failing to amend its Committee Registration (C1-PC) to include the name of its "80 percent sponsor" in the committee's name when it became a sponsored committee on September 25, 2019.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by Community Driven Prosperity PAC; the applicable PDC reports filed by Respondent; and other relevant information, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- Community Driven Prosperity PAC first registered as a continuing political committee on May 11, 2017. The registration listed the committee's officers as: Nickolas Bumpaous, Manager and Chair; Randy Wally, Treasurer; and James Barton, Deputy Treasurer.
- Community Driven Prosperity PAC amended its committee registration on February 10, 2021, listing its officers as: Nickolas Bumpaous, Manager; Randy Wally, Treasurer; and Josie Olsen of Blue Wave Consulting, Deputy Treasurer.

## **Response from Community Driven Prosperity PAC**

- On March 27, 2023, Nick Bumpaous responded to the complaint.
- On September 25, 2019, Community Driven Prosperity PAC received its only contribution for the year, a \$5,000 contribution from United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 598 PAC, making it an "80 percent sponsored committee."
- The only election-related activity for Community Driven Prosperity PAC was also on September 25, 2019 when it made a \$5,000 contribution to Citizens for Community Driven Prosperity PAC in

- support of an Independent Expenditure. In January 2020, \$3,723.50 of that contribution was refunded.
- Community Driven Prosperity PAC has had no election-related activities since 2019 and has stated it is in the process of winding down and intends to terminate its registration.

Based on these findings, staff has determined that in this instance, the failure of Community Driven Prosperity PAC to amend its committee registration to include the name of its "80 percent sponsor" in its name does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), Community Driven Prosperity PAC will receive a formal written warning concerning its failure to amend its committee registration to include the name of its "80 percent sponsor," United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 598 PAC, in its name. The formal written warning will include staff's expectation that Community Driven Prosperity PAC timely update its name in the future when such an update is needed. The Commission will consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

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

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cc: Community Driven Prosperity PAC