

Respondent Name
Mike Millman
Complainant Name
Alexander Campbell
Complaint Description
<p>Alexc reported via the portal (Tue, 7 Nov 2023 at 5:14 PM)</p> <p>While re-reviewing materials received during previous Public Records requests I discovered the attached email communications between Mike Millman (Woodinville City Council position #4) and the Chateau St. Michelle winery.</p> <p>Mr Millman emailed in April 2022 from his City account and included correspondence specific to a local issue (transfer station). In that same email he implicitly requested and received access to non-public tickets to sold-out concert by the band Chicago as well as a pre-concert reception.</p> <p>Summing up the attached email: Mr. Millman used his position and the promise of a future discussion on local issues to solicit access to non-public tickets ("special privileges", value unknown) and received a gift of the paid reception for both himself and his wife (~\$130 estimated value).</p> <p>Background to the situation:</p> <p>My mother in-law purchased tickets to the exact same concert. Her purchase was on March 24th 2022 as part of a wine-club pre-purchase window. Tickets for the public went on sale March 28th and were immediately sold out. No additional tickets ever became publicly available at face value. After-market tickets were selling for multiple times the original price as Chicago is a well-known band.</p> <p>Further, through my mother-in-law's email history, I have confirmed the 2023 pre-concert reception price to be \$75 per ticket. (see attached screenshot)</p> <p>Beyond the direct gift of a VIP reception, there are two open questions (Re: RCW 42.23.070 section 1 & 2): Does access to purchase non-public tickets constitute a gift of services? How would the face-value purchase of sold-out tickets be valued?</p> <p>Mike Millman has failed to disclose any gifts in his 2022 or 2023 F-1 financial disclosures. Please investigate.</p> <p>As the reception tickets along exceeds the \$50 minimum listed on the PDC complaint form I am filing this complaint and includes a "special privilege" of access to sold-out tickets (likely worth more)</p> <p>Reviewing Mike Millman's F-1 financial disclosures no corresponding gifts are reported. This would be violations of RCW 42.52.150 sections 5 & 9.</p>
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
Failure to disclose gifts (RCW 42.52.150 sections 5 & 9) creates an avenue for corruption, creates a perception that people and businesses must pay for access, and is an unethical violation of RCW 42.23.070 section 1 & 2.
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
<p>Primary source material is from the Woodinville public records request # PRR-2023-1 https://woodinvillewa.justfoia.com/publicportal/requests/PRR-2023-1/view?RequestNumber=PRR-2023-1</p> <p>Additional evidence was obtained from Chateaux Set Michelle for the pricing of the VIP reception (\$75 per ticket from a 2022 email I have reviewed).</p>
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them
Employee of Chateau Ste Michelle (from email in PRR response: Cara.Connor@smwe.com and Jake.Lunardi@ste-michelle.com) and the Woodinville City Clerk (katieh@ci.woodinville.wa.us)
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.

From: "Vintage Reserve Club" <info@vrcnews.com>

To:

Sent: Thursday, May 19, 2022 12:00:04 PM

Subject: VRC Pre-Concert Social Tickets are Now Available

Enjoy incredible wine and delicious bites before the show.

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[2022 Chateau Ste. Michelle Summer Concert Series Pre-Concert Socials](#)

The long-awaited [Chateau Ste. Michelle Summer Concerts](#) are back and bigger than ever this season! With the kickoff of our favorite time of year, we are thrilled to announce the return of our club member exclusive pre-concert socials.

Elevate your concert experience with small bites and incredible wines in our VRC tent before the concert and enjoy priority access to the concert through a private entrance exclusively for VRC social ticket holders.

Event Details

- \$75 per ticket. Maximum of 2 tickets per concert social.
- Small bites and a sampling of delicious Chateau Ste. Michelle wines begins two and a half hours before the start of the concert.
- Skip the long general admission lines! A private pre-concert social entrance is available to scan both your social and concert tickets.
- Onsite complimentary parking (\$30 value) available near the VRC tent on the south side of the winery.

NOTE: Allow ample time for parking to ensure you don't miss priority access to the Amphitheatre. Concert days come with long lines!

[PURCHASE SOCIAL TICKETS](#)

From: [Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com>](mailto:Cara.Connor@smwe.com)
To: [Mike Millman](#)
Date: Apr 27, 2022 at 7:48 AM
Subject: Chateau Ste. Michelle Concert/Woodinville Wine Country
Attachment(s): 1

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Hi Mike,

Yes – we do have the restrictions of gifting government employees over a certain amount, so we are not able to give you concert tickets (believe me – would love to!) but can donate the pre-concert reception.

We have a block of GA tickets on hold just for this purpose so if you do want to go, we would arrange payment for the tickets. Just let me know at any time if you want to do this.

I will get something arranged for us to meet with Adam and we can find a time that works for both of you.

Thank you,

Cara

From: Mike Millman <MMillman@ci.woodinville.wa.us>
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 7:35 AM
To: Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com>
Subject: RE: Concert Invitation - the link!

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Hi Cara

I think I misunderstood the prior email. No we don't have tickets but that is ok. As far as the transfer station issue I would like to meet with you and Adam at both of your convenience. If you want to get together with Adam and throw out some dates that work?

Thanks

Mike

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From: Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com <mailto:Cara.Connor@smwe.com> >
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 9:10 AM
To: Mike Millman <MMillman@ci.woodinville.wa.us <mailto:MMillman@ci.woodinville.wa.us>
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Subject: RE: Concert Invitation - the link!

Hi Mayor Millman,

First – thank you for reaching out on the King Country Transfer station. I understand they are getting active again with a Sitting Advisory Group meeting on May 12th.

I'm happy to discuss but would also suggest conferring with Adam Acampora from Woodinville Wine Country as he is also interested in the community response. I would love to set something up with both of you to see how we can work together on this.

For the Chicago concert on September 3rd – do you already have tickets for this? I'm showing it is sold out, but I think we have some options as these need to be purchased by you. In the meantime, I've added you and Michelle to the invitation list and will send a confirmation in the next few weeks.

Thank you,

Cara

From: Mike Millman <MMillman@ci.woodinville.wa.us
<mailto:MMillman@ci.woodinville.wa.us> >
Sent: Saturday, April 23, 2022 4:29 PM
To: Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com <mailto:Cara.Connor@smwe.com> >

Subject: RE: Concert Invitation - the link!

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Hi Cara

Thank you so much for reaching out to me. My wife and I love the concerts there and would love to see Chicago Sept. 3rd?

I also wonder if we could talk about the proposed site of a transfer station near the Chateau? I am interested in organizing community and business opposition to the process and proposed sites by King County.

Thank You

Mike Millman

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From: Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com <mailto:Cara.Connor@smwe.com> >
Sent: Friday, April 22, 2022 10:24 AM
To: Connor, Cara <Cara.Connor@smwe.com <mailto:Cara.Connor@smwe.com> >
Subject: Concert Invitation - the link!

Hi,

I left of the link to our concert schedule. Here you go!

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