



State of Washington

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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April 18, 2024

PDC Case Number 149619

Delivered electronically to Ryan Luikens

Subject: C-4 Brief Enforcement Hearing Notice

ENFORCEMENT HEARING NOTICE

Respondent:	Ryan Luikens
Hearing/meeting date:	Thursday, May 2, 2024
Time:	1:00 p.m.
Place:	Remotely via Teams meeting (Evergreen Plaza Building) 711 Capitol Way, Room 206 Olympia, WA 98504 Public Disclosure Commission Evergreen Plaza Building, Room 206, 711 Capitol Way Olympia, WA 98504
Presiding Officer:	Nancy L. Isserlis, Chair, Public Disclosure Commission
Authority:	RCW 42.17A and WAC 390.

In accordance with RCW 42.17A.110 and RCW 42.17A.755, the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) will hold a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP, Brief Enforcement Hearing) concerning the allegation that you, as a 2023 candidate seeking the office of City Councilmember for the City of Camas, Ward No. 2, Position #1, violated RCW 42.17.235 by failing to timely file the 7-Day Pre- General Election Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure Report (C-4 Report), as required for a 2023 candidate appearing on the November 7, 2023 general election ballot.

As noted in our email exchanges in March of 2024, you had requested that staff waive the \$150 penalty offered along with the proposed Statement of Understanding (SOU). I informed you at the time that penalties assessed through an SOU can only be waived or suspended by either the Commission at an Enforcement Hearing or by the Presiding Officer at a BAP, and this matter was being scheduled for a BAP.

I am enclosing an electronic copy of the BAP Hearing Memorandum from PDC staff. The BAP Hearing has been scheduled to determine if the violation occurred, and, if necessary, assess a penalty.

If you do not plan to be present at the hearing, you may submit evidence in your own behalf or in mitigation no later than 1:00 p.m. on April 29, 2024, for review by the Presiding Officer.

You may do so by writing to the Chair, Public Disclosure Commission, and emailing that information on the PDC Case ticket. The PDC recommends that all respondents personally appear whenever possible, either remotely through Teams or in-person.

PDC staff will present this matter to the Presiding Officer.

Under the BAP Enforcement Hearing rules, the Presiding Officer has the authority to assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for multiple violations in accordance with WAC 390-37-143, the BAP penalty schedule adopted by the Commission. I provided you with a link to the Enforcement Guide as part of the March 6, 2024 email I sent to you.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

s/_____
Electronically Signed Kurt Young
PDC Compliance Officer

Attachment:

BAP Hearing Memorandum



Respondent and Complainant Notice Rights:

In accordance with WAC 390-37-060(5), the respondent and complainant are being provided notice in advance of the enforcement hearing. In accordance with WAC 390-37-030, the complainant does not have special standing to intervene in the hearing. The presiding officer has the discretion to allow comment by a person other than the respondent during their consideration of the complaint. Any person who wishes to comment should notify staff at least three business days before the proceeding.

WAC 390-37-030 also allows the complainant or any other person to submit documentary evidence and/or written factual or legal statements to the staff at any time up to and including the fifth calendar day before the date of any enforcement hearing or proceeding. Such information should be sent electronically to pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.