

October 19, 2012

**TO: ATTORNEY GENERAL ROB McKENNA
KING COUNTY PROSECUTOR, AND THE
WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC DIS-
CLOSURE COMMISSION**

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**RE: CITIZEN'S ACTION LETTER RE UNLAWFUL
CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY BY PETE HOLMES
AND THE CITY OF SEATTLE**

Public Disclosure Commission

FROM: NO ON I-502, and ARTHUR WEST

Please consider this as a formal citizen's action letter under RCW 42.17.460 concerning the continuing use of public facilities for campaign purposes by Pete Holmes and the City of Seattle in violation of RCW 42.17A.555.

Despite the filing of a complaint concerning the illegal use of public resources by the Office of City Attorney, an unfortunate lack of action by the PDC has allowed the use of the resources of the office of the Seattle City Attorney to continue to be employed for partisan electoral activities in support of I-502.

Attached are true and correct copies of Emails obtained from the Seattle City Attorney's Office that demonstrate use of City staff and facilities for I-502 related campaigning by Holmes and his staff.

The Emails all concern I-502 campaigning, and many of them are between members of the City Attorney's staff and campaign workers sent over City of Seattle hardware during regular business hours while the City employees were at work.

The Emails, released in response to public records requests, show communications from Seattle City Attorney Office staff such as Kim

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Garrett, special assistant to the City Attorney, John Schochet, Assistant City Attorney, and Kimberly Mills, Communications Director for the office of the City Attorney. A number of the Email strings include communications between Allison Holcolm or the New Approach Washington Campaign and Staff members of the Seattle City Attorney's office at their official City Email addresses during working hours.

These Emails, many of which were composed, written, sent and acted upon with City of Seattle resources during regular office hours show a pattern of regular use of City facilities, personnel, and resources for campaign on behalf of I-502

The correspondence includes an August 13, 2012, communication concerning the use of hemp fest for pro I-502 campaigning, a February 6th invitation for the City Attorney to explain how his office would interpret the DUI provisions of I-502, and an August 22 communication from Pete Holmes to Kim Garrett, stating "We haven't discussed Rick's Tour, either. Please help me with calendaring. Thanks!"

These Emails demonstrate improper and potentially illegal campaigning for Initiative 502 on City time, with City staff and resources, even after the filing of a previous complaint by an officer of No On I-502.

Please investigate and take any necessary action in regard to this complaint and Citizen's Action Letter.

Done October 19, 2012, in Olympia. I, Arthur West, an officer of No On I-502, certify the foregoing to be correct and true under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Washington.


ARTHUR WEST
No On I-502