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March 1, 2016

CHARLES GREEN

*by email only to:* [sjclgreen@yahoo.com](mailto:sjclgreen@yahoo.com)

Subject: PDC Complaint 2678, David Madore

Dear Mr. Green:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on February 10, 2016. Your complaint alleged that David Madore violated RCW 42.17A.555 by using or authorizing the use of Clark County facilities for the purpose of assisting the write-in candidacy of Liz Pike for Clark County Council Chair. Specifically, you alleged that Mr. Madore requested that county staff upload documents to a county Web site called "C-Grid," and then linked to those documents from Mr. Madore's personal social media page in posts that supported Liz Pike and opposed Marc Boldt in the November 3, 2015 election for council chair.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations to determine whether a formal investigation or enforcement action is warranted. As a result of staff's initial review, we found the following:

- The documents uploaded to C-Grid and linked to Mr. Madore's personal social media page consisted of 1) a letter to State Representative Liz Pike from Jerry Olson, concerning Clark County's comprehensive planning process under the Growth Management Act, and 2) a Clark County staff report and council resolution concerning a proposed developer agreement with Three Creeks Investors LLC.
- PDC staff's review of the two documents indicate that both pertained to the topics described above. Neither document discussed a candidate's campaign for office, or promoted or opposed any candidate.
- PDC staff's review of these and dozens of other documents posted to the C-Grid Web site indicates that the documents were concerned with policy matters that are presumably important to Mr. Madore, including transportation, economic development, land use planning, public transit, and homelessness. None appear to have been posted for the purpose of assisting a candidate's campaign.
- In responding to the complaint, Mr. Madore confirmed that the social media page which linked to two of these documents is his personal Facebook page. He stated that his Facebook page predates his service as a county council member, and is not maintained by or affiliated with Clark County Government.

Staff's review found no evidence that the two documents at issue in this complaint were posted to a Clark County Web page for the purpose of assisting a candidate's campaign. Based on these initial findings, I have determined there is no reason to believe that David Madore committed a material violation of any law under the Commission's jurisdiction. For this reason, the PDC has closed the matter. Mr. Madore will be reminded of the prohibition in RCW 42.17A.555 against using or authorizing the use of public facilities to promote or oppose a ballot proposition, or to assist a candidate's campaign. Beyond this, PDC staff will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing enforcement action in this case.

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-1042, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by replying to the attached email.

Sincerely,



Tony Perkins  
PDC Compliance Officer

Endorsed by:



Evelyn Fielding Lopez  
Executive Director

cc: David Madore