

From: [Jonathan Tasini](#)
To: [Eccles, James](#)
Subject: Re: NOTICE: Filing of Complaint No. 2024-10-JT
Date: Thursday, November 7, 2024 10:41:07 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Screenshot 2024-11-06 at 5.22.00 PM.png](#)

Dear James: thank you for your communication about the complaint.

In terms of the mailer, I would simply mark this down to last-minute hustling, design difference and, perhaps, inattention. This was our final full-list targets mailer; it went to the mail house on the Wednesday or Thursday before Election Day. I believe that given that we used a lot less verbiage (thankfully, for the voter), the font size in the actual content was probably bigger than previous mailers. Thus, I assume the ratio was "off" in terms of the disclosure. It never occurred to me to check that ratio, especially given that the last 2-3 weeks of the campaign I was out knocking on voters' doors 6-7 hours a day. I can assure there was no intent here to circumvent a rule by, if that is your determination, having a disclosure statement not comply with a size requirement.

That said, for all of that, I assume full responsibility for any violation you determine occurred.

As to the question about our campaign website, I am attaching a screenshot of our website (I've paused the website to save money, and end charges so we can wrap up the campaign accounting per regulation). The complaintant says "He does not have **a disclosure** on his website". That isn't true—we have had **a** disclosure on the website from the beginning. I will note, however, that I now see that we did not update the disclosure on the website to add the "dominant contributor" language that is contained in every single one of our pieces of literature as of the moment we hit that level, as you can see from the mailer. I would note that we only hit that moment of a "dominant contributor" on October 8th—we were informed by the UFCW 555 Active Ballot Club, the dominant contributor, that we had reached that threshold (UFCW, as you can see from the union "bug" on the mailer, was providing in-kind printing). Again, that was inadvertent, partly because our website was not a daily tool so the updating just escaped notice. Lesson learned!

And, again, as the candidate, I take full responsibility as well for not updating the website and making that change.

I hope you will take into consideration that the entire "staff" for the campaign included me and a field coordinator. We did the best we could.

I appreciate the work your office does. I stand by to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Tasini

On Wed, Nov 6, 2024 at 4:01 PM Eccles, James <James.Eccles@portlandoregon.gov> wrote:

Dear Jonathan Tasini and Jonathan Tasini for City Council:

Please see the attached complaint notification and related timeline for providing a response to alleged violation(s) of City campaign finance regulations related to campaign contributions. A copy of the complaint and accompanying attachment is included.

If you have any questions, please reach out to our office directly.

Thank you,

James Eccles (he/him)

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