

RE: Letter from Elections Calgary regarding Overdue Amended Financial Disclosure statement

Mr. Brouwer,

This correspondence is to confirm I recently received a notice from Elections Calgary that indicated I reported in the 2021 General Election financial disclosure statement a deficit of \$14,759.46 . I contacted your office to resolve the perceived issue as soon as I received the letter.

As I explained to Cherry, via a phone call, along with the Campaign Disclosure Statement and Financial Statement, all detailed expenses were submitted and audited by Horizon Group – Chartered Professional Accountants. The supported documentation shows a Pre-Campaign period contributions of \$22,185.87 and total Campaign expenses of \$14,759.46 which creates a surplus balance of \$7,426.41. This is indicated clearly on the supported documents in the original submission.

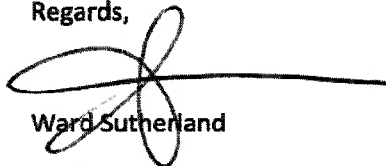
Unfortunately, the Campaign Disclosure Statement and Financial Statement form under number Eleven does not allow to deduct contributions from number one: Pre-campaign Period Contributions. The accountant from Horizon Group said the form must be filled out this way, however, to submit a supportive document, which was done. The Pre-Campaign contributions occurred before new legislation was changed and passed for 2021 Local Authorities Election Act.

As per last campaign, I thought that I had one year to make a decision on the course of action regarding the campaign surplus. Cherry pointed out that was old legislation and that the time lapse is 60 days.

This was an honest oversight on my part; many details of the LAE were altered, and I would have addressed accordingly on a timely basis. As discussed, with Cherry to resolve the issue, I have closed the Campaign account with the following actions: Retained \$926.21 for personal use and donated \$6500.00 to four different registered Charities. This now leaves a new campaign balance of zero.

Please consider this letter as an updated amended financial disclosure.

Regards,



Ward Sutherland

September 13, 2022

