

File a Formal Complaint - Jason Dangercup Coots

[Jason Dangercup Coots](#) (Wed, 8 Nov at 10:19 PM) via Portal [Meta](#)

While in office, Shelton Mayor Gary Cronic solicited re-election campaign \$500 donations using his official City of Shelton email account. The donations have campaign donation requests for Kathy McDowell, who was challenging an incumbent City Commissioner, and Mayor Cronic himself. The donations were requested in at least seven emails with separate representatives from Hall Equities, developer of the Shelton Hills project. The emails were obtained from the City of Shelton after a public record request.

Not only were these multiple emails in violation of RCW 42.17A.555, but they also show a troubling comment after getting money from a developer, winning the election, and then offering to start the Shelton Hills project.

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10-18-15 "thanks very much needed i will win this election"

11-4-15 from Alisa MacCormac "Close race! Have all the ballots been counted and the numbers finalized? I hope our last minute donation helped - Alisa MacCormac"

11-6-15 "i won done deal lets get shelton hills started gary"

RCW 42.17A.555 "no elected official nor any employee of his or her office nor any person appointed to or employed by any public agency may use or authorize the use of the facilities of a public office or agency, directly or indirectly for the purpose of assisting a campaign for election of any person to any office or for the promotion of or opposition to any ballot measure."

RE: Best Wishes

From Gary Cronce

To Alisa MacCormac

Date 2015/11/06 15:57

Subject: RE: Best Wishes

i won done deal lets get shelton hills started
gary

From: Alisa MacCormac [AlisaM@HallEquitiesGroup.com]

Sent: Wednesday, November 4, 2015 10:07 AM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: Best Wishes

Close race! Have all the ballots been counted and the numbers finalized? I hope our last minute donation helped -

Alisa MacCormac

Director of Community Affairs

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From: Alisa MacCormac

Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:00 AM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: Best Wishes

Hi Gary,

Best wishes for a favorable outcome today! I know you will do well!!

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From Gary Cronce
To Alisa MacCormac
Date 2015/11/03 15:05
Subject: RE: Best Wishes

thank you

From: Alisa MacCormac [AlisaM@HallEquitiesGroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 3, 2015 11:22 AM
To: Gary Cronce
Subject: Fwd: Best Wishes
kathy's phone # is [REDACTED]
What is Kathy's email? I would like to send her a note as well.

Alisa

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Alisa MacCormac <AlisaM@HallEquitiesGroup.com>
Date: November 3, 2015 at 8:59:34 AM PST
To: Gary Cronce <gcronce@ci.shelton.wa.us>
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RE: Campaign Contribution

From Gary Cronce

To Alisa MacCormac

Date 2015/10/18 19:08

Subject: RE: Campaign Contribution

thanks very much needed i will win this election

From: Alisa MacCormac [AlisaM@HallEquitiesGroup.com]

Sent: Friday, October 16, 2015 4:19 PM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: Campaign Contribution

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From Gary Cronce

To Brandon Farrell

Date 2015/10/15 17:11

Subject: RE: Shelton Hills

any time 9 to 10 is ok

From: Brandon Farrell [BrandonF@HallEquitiesGroup.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 4:31 PM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: RE: Shelton Hills

Gary, I'll call you tomorrow. What is a good time?

Brandon Farrell

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From: Gary Cronce [mailto:gcronce@ci.shelton.wa.us]

Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 3:23 PM

To: Brandon Farrell <BrandonF@HallEquitiesGroup.com>

Subject: RE: Shelton Hills

brandon i really need \$500 soon for my mayors race. call me [REDACTED] . gary cronce

From: Brandon Farrell [BrandonF@HallEquitiesGroup.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2015 5:42 PM
To: Alisa MacCormac; Gary Cronic
Subject: RE: Shelton Hills

Thanks Alisa.

Mayor, do you have a moment to talk tomorrow? Good number to call you at?

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From: Alisa MacCormac [AlisaM@HallEquitiesGroup.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2015 5:06 PM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: RE: Shelton Hills

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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 4:05 PM

To: Gary Cronce

Subject: Shelton Hills

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